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AGRICULTURE AND LABOR

DISCUSSING THE QUESTION OF CREATING SUCH A DEPARTMENT

The House of Congress Goes Into Committee of the Whole on a Bill Creating a Department of Agriculture and Labor. Opinions Before the House

WASHINGTON, Dec 10.—The house at 3 10 went into committee of the whole on the bill creating a department of agriculture and labor, Mr Springer of Illinois in the chair.

Mr Weaver of Iowa supported the bill in the interest of the great industries of the country.

Mr Rogers of Arkansas opposed the bill as creating a political department, and contended that agriculture would not be benefited by this bill [illegible]. What it [illegible] was a reduction of the load of taxation.

Mr Wilson of West Virginia took the [illegible]

[illegible] of Texas argued that there was no warrant in the constitution for the proposed legislation.

Mr W[illegible] denied that the proposed department would be any more a political department than the treasury department [illegible] was nothing [illegible] but a representative of capital.

Mr [illegible] of Kansas supported the bill. [illegible] of capital was represented [illegible] as were also the interests of the army and navy. Why not let the interests of [illegible] of the people be represented?

Mr Hatch of Missouri defended the measure [illegible] the charge that it was unconstitutional. [illegible] 30,000,000 of farmers did not [illegible] that the department of agriculture should be blotted out of the statute books of the United States. It would not be blotted [illegible] the gentleman on the Democratic [illegible] appropriation of the present [illegible] and applause] they would [illegible] the opportunity of calling into his council a representative of the interests of the American people.

Mr Tucker of Virginia, did not know [illegible] was any use in raising a voice [illegible] that instrument drawn up a [illegible] years ago the old constitution of the United States. The gentleman from Missouri [illegible] had said at the last session [illegible] always stood [illegible] the aisle [illegible] Unconstitutional. He knew [illegible] function that a representative of the people could have than to defend the constitution of the United States even against the proclamation of 30,000,000 or [illegible] demanding votes. He could not vote for the bill, although 30,000,000 farmers de[illegible] it, because he believed that its whole [illegible] was unconstitutional. He had been [illegible] seven who had voted against a [illegible] bill three or four years ago, and he [illegible] back to his constituents and had [illegible] all the same.

At this point Mr Tucker's time expired [illegible] and received an extension of time to deliver a benediction.

"[illegible] am confronted," he said, "as I am [illegible] by the statement that this [illegible] measure, I am constrained to say that I think there is no benefit to the people [illegible] commensurate [illegible] with the present [illegible] in all its integrity of the great constitution which has descended to us as a muniment of our liberty from our ancestors. I would rather see the constitution of the United States restored in perfect integrity—a gentlemen of all sides will say is a fair construction—that to see power built up in high places and the government become munificent in its benefits to everybody and in its expenditures for all jobs and schemes that can possible be contrived. [Applause.]

Pending further debate the committee rose. Mr Randall reported the sundry civil bill which was referred to the committee of the whole and the house at 5 p m, adjourned.

Interstate Commerce Agreement.

WASHINGTON, Dec 10.—The conferees on the interstate commerce bill have reached an agreement, and will soon present their conclusions. Many of the features of both the Cullom and Regan bills are retained in the conference measure. The penalties provided in both bills are well retained in the conference bill. The commission provided for in the senate bill is preserved but shippers may elect to prosecute for damages in the United States courts in their own behalf with the proviso that they shall not have the right to pursue their remedy in the courts and through the commission in the same case. It is made unlawful for any railroad to charge more for the transportation of passengers, or of like kind of property under substantially similar circumstances and conditions for a shorter than for a longer distance over the same line and in the same direction, the shorter being included within the longer distance with the proviso that in special cases upon application by the railroads and after investigation the commission may prescribe the extent to which such railroads shall be relieved from the operation of this section.

The measure adopts the house bill's provision prohibiting pooling. Every railroad is required to print and keep in every depot for the inspection of the public the rates it may establish between points upon its own line. They are also required to file with the commission copies of all joint tariff of through rates to which they may be a party and the commission is required to secure the publication of such through rates as far as may be found practicable. [illegible] the principal modification of [illegible] When the substitute bill has been printed the committee will go over it carefully and may change the phraseology slightly.

Mississippi River Commission

WASHINGTON, Dec [illegible] tary of War has transmitted [illegible] representatives the report of the [illegible] of the Mississippi river commission [illegible] 1886 to November [illegible] with financial statements relating to the appropriations. No work was [illegible] from Cairo to foot of Island [illegible] two hundred miles except [illegible] the works already constructed [illegible] and a good [illegible] maintained. Examination [illegible] the fact that [illegible] and Craighead [illegible] were [illegible] to have been [illegible] in place and entire. In the second district (foot of Island No 40 to mouth of White river, 180 miles) in addition to repairs of plant the work done has been in pursuance of an approved project for completing the work in the river at Memphis," including the construction of a mattress revetment in front of the city levee beginning at the lower end and extending up stream as far as the appropriation will permit.

Four hundred feet was completed at the end of October. In the third district (mouth of White river to Warrenton, Miss. 2?0 miles) operators have been limited to repair of plant and preparations for work at Delta Point. The principal work done in the fourth district (Warrenton to head of the passes 484 miles,) was upon the channel of the Red river between the Mississippi and the head of the Atchafalaya. Altogether the operators were confined almost wholly to the preservation and repair of plant. The amount available for the commission November 1 last was $2,000 [illegible]8.

Naval Affairs.

WASHINGTON, Dec 10.—The recommended [illegible] of the ordnance bureau in preparing [illegible] for the new cruisers and re[illegible] batteries of some of the old vessels [illegible] modern guns, will call for a large [illegible] of the working force at the navy yard ordnance shops, and if congress makes the necessary appropriations, the plant in the shops in the city will be largely increased, and employment furnished to several hundred workmen.

[illegible] of Secretary Whitney substituting marines for the civil watchmen at navy yards will necessitate a large increase in the number of marine corps in [illegible] to furnish a sufficient number of marines for watchmen at the Washington navy yard and to keep an effective force at the national capital. A material increase in the [illegible] of the marines at the navy yard is probable.

Secretary Manning's Work.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Secretary Manning, who is in every way stronger than when he returned to the department last [illegible] notwithstanding the heavy mental [illegible] imposed upon him by the preparation of his annual report, he has nearly completed a special report on the collection of taxes [illegible] ports and our frontiers, promised in his annual report, and it will be sent to congress next week. It will suggest changes and additions to the customs administration [illegible] portion of the bills reported by Mr [illegible] on and Mr Randall, known as Mr [illegible] bills and will urge its immediate adoption as amended. It will deal at length with dutiable books imported in mail bags and suggests a change in the law for the convenience of those to whom these books [illegible] addressed.

The Sundry Civil Service Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec 10.—The house committee on appropriations have completed the sundry civil bill. It appropriates $19 18[illegible] 11[illegible] estimates were $31 540,000, and the appropriation for the current fiscal year $[illegible] 1910. Among other legislative provisions embodied in the bill are those fixing the maximum fees of the United States commissioner at $800 limiting the salaries of clerks of the United States district and circuit courts where the positions are filled by [illegible] $4,000 per annum, requiring authority by the government of soldiers' homes [illegible] and prohibiting connection with the homes of distillers or persons connected with the liquor business in any manner whatsoever.

Not Dangerous Indians.

WASHINGTON, Dec 10.—The story that 500 [illegible] in Florida are likely to massacre the whites is laughed at in the department of Indian affairs. There is only 150 Indians in the whole state and none at all in Monroe county, where the bloodthirsty [illegible] were said to be.

The President Receives Callers

WASHINGTON, Dec 10.—The president [illegible] He was at his desk all day [illegible] and who called on him besides presiding at the regular cabinet meeting.

Washington on Horseback.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 10.—Private advices from Berlin say that the colossal equestrian statue of Gen Washington and which is the production of Professor Siemens the celebrated sculptor, will be shipped to this city next week. The statue, which is the gift of the Society of the Cincinnati will probably be erected on St. George's Hill Fairmount Park. Its cost will be in the neighborhood of a quarter of a million dollars. The [illegible] y feet square and the length about thirty five feet. When erected it will rest upon a large pedestal, at the angles of which supporting groups will be placed.

Texas Cotton Crop

GALVESTON Tex, Dec 10.—Replies from [illegible] correspondents in this state to late inquiries by Kauffman & Runge, of this city, confirm the previous estimates of that firm and show an average yield on cotton per [illegible] of thirty seven hundredths of a bale, and a total yield for the state of 1,[illegible]0,000 bales. These figures are based upon actual count of bales already ginned forming about [illegible] per cent. of the crop, and close estimates of the remainder.

Edward S. Jones Dead

PORTLAND Me, Dec 10.—News has been received here of the death, at the age of sixty nine years of Col Edward S Jones commander of the department of Tennessee and Georgia Grand Army of the Republic. Col [illegible] organized in Nashville, Tenn, the first Grand Army of the Republic post founded in the south below Kentucky. During the war he commanded the Third Pennsylvania cavalry.

Honduras Fruit Crop Injured

NEW ORLEANS Dec 10.—The steamship City of Dallas, just in from Central America, reports that during the last days of November a terrible storm swept over the coast of British Honduras and thousands of acres of banana plants were blown down and washed away. Many entire fruit farms were destroyed although in the fruit trade the [illegible] has brough in none of it.

The Robbers in Cuba.

HAVANA Dec 10.—[illegible] government has authorized the formation of small armed [illegible] of peasants to suppress the bands of [illegible] rs who have been engaged in the numerous kidnaping cases that have occurred recently.

FRANCE'S NEW MINISTRY.

FORECAST OF HOW IT WILL BE FORMED BY M. GOBLET

A Tripple Alliance to Be Formed By Roumania, Bulgaria and Servia, By Which Each are to Have Equal Rights—Their Combined Armies—Foreign News

PARIS, Dec 10.—The following forecast of the new ministry as formed by M Goblet, is believed to be nearly, if not entirely, correct. M Goblet, premier and minister of the interior, M Duclerc, minister of foreign affairs, M Daupbin, minister of finance, M. Bordeau minister of public instruction, M Sarrien, minister of justice Gen. Boulanger, minister of war, Admiral Aube, minister of the marine, M Gravet minister of posts and telegraphs, M Lockroy, minister of commerce, and M Richards, minister of agriculture.

A Triple Alliance.

LONDON, Dec 10.—The Chronicle's Vienna correspondent telegraphs that Roumania, Bulgaria and Servia are on the eve of signing an offensive and defensive convention by the terms of which each is to have identical rights and the disposal, in event of war, of the combined army of the three countries, comprising 4?0,000 men.

Cruel, Ruthless and Dangerous.

LONDON, Dec 10.—Hon. J Stansfeld, Gladstonian Liberal member for Halifax, speaking at a meeting of the British Home Rule association, declared that a reconciliation of the Liberals and Unionists was now impossible. Lord Salisbury's policy, he said, was cruel, ruthless and dangerous.

Preparing Barracks at Odessa.

ODESSA Dec 10.—Government contractors have begun the work of converting the large taverns, which are numerous in this city, into barracks for the accommodation this winter of 75,000 troops. The work is being pushed rapidly under the supervision of military officers.

Accepted Under Protest.

LONDON, Dec 10.—The captain of the White Star steamer Brittanic accepted under protest the American mail tendered him at Liverpool by the postoffice authorities and which he was restrained by injunction of the queen's bench from rejecting.

Have Collected the Rents.

DUBLIN, Dec 10.—Messrs. Dillon, Harris and Sheehy, members of parliament, have collected the trustee rents from the tenants on the Clanricade and Burke estates and hold them subject to the receipt in full of the respective landlords.

The Jury Had Been Tampered With.

DUBLIN, Dec 10.—The trials of the Agrarian assizes, which were to come off to-day at Sligo have been postponed until the 20th [illegible] owing to charges that the jury have been packed and a new jury panel has been ordered.

Troops Ordered to Burmah.

LONDON, Dec 10.—Two thousand Punjab police have been ordered from Punjab northwestern British India, to Burmah, and 1,000 more will be added to this number by subsequent order.

Two Appointments.

DUBLIN, Dec. 10.—Lord Londonderry viceroy of Ireland, has appointed Mr Sexton to the Shrievalty of Dublin, and James O'Nara to that of Limerick.

German Agent Appointed.

BERLIN, Dec 10.—Count Pfeil has been appointed German agent at Somali, Africa in place of Karl Juehlke, who was recenty murdered by the natives.

Will Meet With a Cold Reception.

BERLIN Dec 10.—It is stated on good authority that the Bulgarian delegates will meet with a cold reception, on the part of the government.

Transit of Arms.

BERLIN, Dec 10.—The Austrian government has signified its willingness to allow the transit of arms through Austria into Bulgaria.

PHILADELPHIA EMULATES NEW YORK

Miss Annie Hollowell Appointed to the Board of Education.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 10.—There is considerable satisfaction in educational circles in this city, over the appointment of Miss Annie Hollowell as a member of the board of education. The act is a new departure which has been urged by the Century club and, it is thought, will set a precedent for action in future vacancies. Miss Hollowell is well known in the community, being connected with several philanthropic and educational institutions one of the managers of the Century club and a member of the Working Women's guild. She has always taken an active interest in educational matters her efforts resulting in the founding of a number of kindergartens which are partly under the the patronage of the board of education.

For the support of these schools $7,500 was appropriated last year. This only helped to maintain them, private benevolence furnishing the balance necessary. The city solicitor decided this year that the city had no authority to pay this money for schools not directly under the board of education's control. It was then that Miss Hollowell's friends determined that she should be present for appointment as a member of the board. She is a daughter of the late Morris L Hollowell and a member of the Society of Friends.

Heat and Cholera at Buenos Ayres.

BUENOS AYRES Dec 10.—Telegrams from Rosario dated December 7, say that on Monday the heat was terrible, and that a heavy rain fell during the night. Twenty two deaths from cholera occurred on that day. During the past twenty four hours there have been seven deaths from cholera but no new cases. In Condorva during the same period seventeen new cases and ten death are reported.

White Lead Manufacturers in Session.

PITTSBURG, Dec 10.—The National Association of White Lead Manufacturers is in secret session in this city but some of them have admitted that the question of advancing prices was under consideration. Trade is reported good, with the outlook very encouraging.

SENATOR JONES INJURED

He is Thrown From His Buggy While Out Riding With His Son.

DETROIT Mich, Dec 10.—Senator Charles W Jones, of Florida, while riding with his son, Clarence, yesterday, was thrown out of the buggy by his horse becoming frightened and running away. He had a narrow escape from death, and was somewhat seriously injured. It was expected by friends in his confidence that he would leave for Washington last night, but he now announces that he will report for duty at the National capital after the holiday recess. Senator Jones also says that he is a candidate for re-election and that he expects to be returned to the senate.

He claims that the stories which have been published so extensively about him since his stay here are a part of a conspiracy that exists outside of his state, and that he is in possession of telegrams, letters and other documents to prove his statements. Several prominent politicians and newspaper correspondents, he says, are implicated. He promises disclosures shortly which will startle the country and will also vindicate himself by showing that he had substantial reasons for leaving Washington and residing in Detroit to regain his health which had been shattered by judicial labors in Florida, and which was not improved by the unhealthy climate of Washington.

Heard From Too Late.

PITTSBURG, Dec 10.—Word has just reached this city that there died recently in Belfast, Ireland, a man who is proven by documents found among his effect to have been S B W Gill, a leading attorney of this city, who for nine years has been anxiously sought after by numerous creditors. Mr Gill suddenly disappeared from this city in 1877, taking with him funds amounting to $50,000, which he held in trust for widows, orphans and others.

Four Young People Struck by a Train.

BRADDOCK Pa, Dec 10.—The fast line going east last evening came around a short curve, striking four young people, who were not aware of the approaching train until it was upon them. Bridget McCarthy and Ellen Foole were killed instantly. Their bodies were terribly mangled and crushed almost beyond recognition. Barbara Conway and Festus Cook were thrown from the track, but escaped with slight cuts and bruises.

Who Will Attend the Banquet.

COLUMBUS O, Dec 10.—Ex Senator Thurman, as chairman of the committee of the Jackson club, on invitation to their banquet on January 7 has received letters from Governor Fitzhugh Lee, of Virginia, Hon S S Cox of New York, and Hon John Mc Sweeney of Wooster, O. These gentlemen signify their intention to be present, and it is generally understood that all three of them will reply to toasts.

Michigan Quarantine Against Chicago

LANSING, Mich Dec 10.—Governor Alger orders that until further notice no live stock will be shipped to any place in this state from Cook county, Illinois, either for feed [illegible], slaughtering or other purposes, and that all cattle shipped through this state shall not be unloaded and fed within the state, except at such points as will not expose other cattle.

The Steamer Fight at New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The agents of the Guion, Inman and Cunard lines in this city announced to-day that their rates for prepaid steerage tickets to New York had been reduced to $15. No change was made in outward rates. The National line, which keeps a differential rate, has reduced prepaid steerage tickets to $13.

Score of a Walking Match.

UTICA, N Y, Dec 10.—The score at 1[illegible] o'clock last night in the 500 mile walking match, was Hoagland, 128 miles, one lap O'Leary, 111 miles, 6 laps. O'Leary left the track at 11 o clock, and Hoagland at 1[illegible]. Both men are now sleeping. They are in good condition.

No Tidings of a Distressed Schooner.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 10.—No tidings have yet been received of the distressed schooner, Mary D Cramer, in the endeavor to assist which five of the crew of the steamer Knickerbocker lost their lives. No record of such a vessel is at the maratime exchange.

Sympathizing Strangers.

NEW YORK, Dec 10.—W C R Handlander, the millionaire's cast-off son, who was in jail at Freehold, N J, on a charge of removing household goods which had been attached for debt, has been released on $5,00[illegible] bail furnished by sympathizing strangers.

Boycotting Chicago Boot Manufacturers

CHICAGO, Dec 10.—It is said that the boycott which some months ago was raised from the leading boot and shoe manufacturers of the city will be considered by the state executive board of the Knights of Labor with a view of again putting it in force.

A Wisconsin Assignment.

WEST BEND, Wis. Dec 10.—The firm of Franckenberg Heipp & Seivers, doing a general mercantile and produce business at West Bend and Jackson, made an assignment last evening. The nominal assets are estimated at $[illegible]4,000. Liabilities not given.

Killed in a Tennessee Quarrel.

RALESTON, Tenn, Dec 10.—This morning Austin Carnicle emptied both barrels of a shotgun into the body of Jim Kennedy, inflicting mortal wounds. The difficulty between them grew out of a dispute about some pasture land.

Short in His Accounts.

LAFAYETTE Ind Dec 10.—It is reported from Delphi that Samuel U Holland the retiring treasurer of Carroll county is short in his accounts about $14,000. Holland claims property which will reduce the shortage to $7,000.

A $10 000 Fire Loss

BRATTLEBORO, Vt, Dec 10.—A fire last night destroyed the Valley mill building owned by W H Minor of Chicago, and occupied by Estey Frost & Co, and the machine shops of Barrett & Co. Loss $10,000 insurance $7,000.

A Mexican Murderer Executed

CITY OF MEXICO Dec 10.—Francisco D[illegible] M[illegible]ral whose crime was the atrocious murder of a French resident of this city nearly two years ago, was shot by a file of soldiers. He died bravely protesting his innocence to the last.

A CONFERENCE OF LABOR.

THE MEETING OF TRADES UNIONS AT COLUMBUS, OHIO.

The Convention Resolves Itself Into a Federation and Receives the Reports of the Delegates—But Little Work Accomplished—Powderly's Committee

COLUMBUS, O, Dec 10.—The conference of the trades unions met at 2 p. m. A legislative committee, consisting of A Strasser, Larkin McHugh, Daniel McLaughlin, J Hamlin and George Black, was appointed to confer with the legislative commission of the Federation. An invitation was received and accepted from Henry Doren, chief inspector of workshops and factories for Ohio, to visit the various state institutions.

The convention then resolved itself into a meeting of the Federation, and the reports of delegates on the condition of their respective unions was called for. These reports gave the dates of the organization, and the results accomplished in reducing the number of working hours and increasing the wages. The present numerical strength, with the increase during the year, and the relations of each union to the Knights of Labor, were given at length. As these reports are not all in they will be held from the press until complete.

Mr Powderly's committee of five from the Knights of Labor appointed to confer with the Federation and amicably settle, if possible, the differences between the two organizations, were at the hotel for two days before a committee met them. The following were the committee from the Federation which met them: P J Fitzpatrick, Iron Moulders' union, Adolph Strasser, Cigarmakers' union, Charles Evans, National Federation of Miners, P J McGuire, Carpenters' and Joiners union, and David Boyer, Typographical union.

The work of the convention is progressing very slowly and is causing considerable comment among the trades' unionists of this city. After three day's session the work can be summed up in the appointments of a few committees and the passage of three resolutions. The delegates are deliberating as two bodies a Federation and a conference, which is so far as the membership is concerned, practically one body. Yet they do not consolidate, but continue to transact business as a Federation for awhile, and then resolve themselves into a conference. The two bodies cannot meet separate because many of the members are delegates to both, and there is not more than fifteen delegates to the conference alone hence each body must and does hold its session while the other is adjourned, and much valuable time is thus wasted.

A mass meeting was held at Gumble hall, presided over by John B Lawler, of this city. Speeches were made by Samuel Gompers, P J McGuire, J L Wright and others. Their remarks were generally directed to the necessity of organizations, and especially trades unions. They do not believe that one craft should arbitrate for another, but advocate that they stand by and assist each other. They referred to their power with the ballot, and pointed to the vote cast for Henry George in New York, and the election of nearly all of the Labor candidates at the county election in Milwaukee with much pride and satisfaction.

A HEAVY SHOE FAILURE.

Field, Thayer & Co, of Boston, Assign With Liabilities of $600,000.

BOSTON Dec 10.—The old and well known boot and shoe firm of Field, Thayer & Co 1[illegible]8 Congress street, have made an assignment to J O Henry, with liabilities estimated at $600,000. About $500,000 of this indebtedness is said to be held by banks and bankers and the failure is due to the unwillingness of these creditors to carry such a large amount of any firm's paper. The feeling of timidity was greatly increased by the failure of A P Martin & Co last Saturday, and the present embarrassment is thus traced indirectly to that failure. The firm of Field, Thayer & Co has been in business here for forty years and its standing has been of the highest.

After the great fire here in 1872 the firm found itself $800,000 in debt but eventually succeeded in paying every dollar of it thereby winning a credit and standing which were the envy of business associates. The firm has two factories, one in Medway and the other in Haverhill the latter having just been completed. Two notes for $8,000 fell due to-day and the firm being unable to obtain money from the usual channels with which to meet them, the assignment followed.

A Terrible Explosion.

JERSEY SHORE, Pa, Dec. 10.—A Beech Creek railroad engine, which had just left the shops and came to a standstill near the station here, exploded killing Philip H Knight and James Wearne, engineers, and Allen Ramsey, fireman, and J C Field and J H Stapleson, machinists, were seriously injured. The body of Engineer Knight was gathered up in small fragments, and the body of the fireman was also badly mutilated. The body of Field was thrown a distance of 1,500 feet. It was thought that the steam guage of the locomotive did not work properly as it only registered 140.

The Baldwin Sentence Confirmed

ATCHISON Kan, Dec 10.—The supreme court has filed an opinion in the celebrated Baldwin murder case refusing a new trial and affirming the sentence of death. Baldwin's crime was the murder of his sister Mary by chloroform on the night of July 7 1880. Although he is under sentence of death his sentence under the peculiar laws of Kansas amounts simply to life imprisonment. He is not yet twenty-four years of age, and has a young wife and baby living here, the child having been born since its father's imprisonment.

Serious Mistake

LOGAN O Dec 10.—Sol Rhodes, of this place took a drink of concentrated lye last night, thinking it was cider. He has been in a critical condition ever since, but his physicians think he will pull through all right.

Mexico Willing for a New Treaty

CITY OF MEXICO Dec 10.—President Cleveland's expression of a desire for the negotiation of a new commercial treaty with Mexico has been well received by the press and government of this country.

BRIEF MENTION

News of the Day Compressed for the Hasty Peruser.

J William Nichols, a prominent Xenia, O, banker, is dead.

Arthur Comicle shot and killed Joseph Kennedy at Raleston, Tenn.

Pleuro-pneumonia is said to have appeared among the Indian cattle in Texas.

The Story House block, at Jonesboro, Ga., was destroyed by fire. Loss $40,000.

Coal in great quantities has been discovered in Henderson and Smith counties, Texas.

The Pennsylvania engineers deny the reports that they are to join the Knights of Labor.

Machine mining has proved a great success in the Hocking Valley, and the coal trade is booming.

Benjamin Ogden, aged eighty years, one of the pioneers of the Wabash Valley, died at his home near Genoso, Ind, Thursday morning.

The Rev Father Edward McGlynn, of New York, has been summoned to Rome to answer for his support of Henry George in the campaign.

A party of four young people were struck by a train at Braddock, Pa., two being instantly killed, and the others escaping with slightly injured.

At Nebraska City, Neb., Lee Shellingberger was refused a new trial for the murder of his daughter, and was sentenced to be hanged March 25.

The canvass of the official vote for members of congress of Ohio was completed Thursday. Campbell's majority in the Seventh district is two votes.

Joseph Elston and William Carwell, farmers, were shot and dangerously wounded by Pod Potter and William Stuart, two drunken hunters, near Madison, Ind.

The accounts of Peter R. Ragle, retiring treasurer of Martin county, Indiana, are about $7,000 short. M J. Carnahan, one of his bondsmen has paid the deficit.

A member of the New York Union League club states that the story of dishonesty among the employers is greatly exaggerated, and may not exceed $10,000, instead of $100,000.

Governor Alger of Michigan, has issued a proclamation prohibiting the shipment into that state of cattle from Cook county, Illinois, on account of the prevalence of pleuro-pneumonia.

Congress.

A bill was introduced for the redemption of trade dollars. After some resolutions had been offered, the senate proceeded to the consideration of Mr Morrill's tariff resolution. Messrs Morrill, Beck and Sherman made speeches. Senator Dawes got the floor, and the senate at 3 30 p m, adjourned until Monday.

In the house the bill extending the free delivery system was passed. Also a bill authorizing the employment of mail messengers in the postal service. The electoral count bill was passed without division. The bill creating a department of agriculture and labor was taken up and discussed. Pending debate, the sundry civil appropriation bill was reported, and at 5 p. m the house adjourned.

Other "Boodle" Aldermen.

TRENTON, N J, Dec 10.—The presence of Pinkerton detectives in this city has increased the excitement over the charge of bribery against the board of aldermen in connection with the awarding of contracts to the Trenton Rubber company. It is reported that warrants have been issued for the arrest of aldermen and President Magowan of the Trenton Rubber company.

Indications.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—For the Ohio Valley. Fair weather, southerly winds, slightly warmer.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

Quotations of the Money, Stock, Produce, and Cattle Markets for December 9.

NEW YORK.—Money 5@7 per cent. Exchange Steady. Governments firm.

Currency sixes, 1 4½ bid fours coupons, 1 2?¾ fours and a halfs, 110¾ bid.

The stock market opened strong and active with New York & New England the feature. That stock advanced fully 3¾ per cent in the first few dealings. The strength of that stock had a favorable influence on the whole list and at noon the best figures of the morning were generally current. The advances in prices now as compared with the figures current at the close last night, ranged from ¼ to 3¾ per cent.

Bu & Quincy	1 3½	Mich Central	98
Oana lian Pacific	69¾	Missouri Pacific	115
Canadian Southern	70¾	N Y Central	110¾
Central Pacific	35¾	Northwestern	1 [illegible]
C C C & I	48¾	Northern Pacific	2 ¾
Del & Hudson	1 0½	do preferred	61¼
D L, Lack & W	141½	Ohio & Miss	3 ¾
Denver & R G	34 ¼	Pacific Mail	54¾
Erie sec nds	37½	Reading	4
Illinois Central	133 ¼	Rock Island	12 ¼
Jersey Central	53	St Paul	95¾
Kansas & Texas	3 ¾	do preferred	120
Lake Shore	9¼	Union Pacific	6b
Louisville & Nash	67½	Western Union	8

Cincinnati.

FLOUR—Fancy, $3 75@4 10, family $3.35@3 65.

WHEAT—No 3 red, 74@76c, No 2, 76@79.

CORN—No 3 mixed 37½c No 2 mixed, 35c.

OATS—No 3 mixed 29@29½c No. 2 mixed, 30@30½c. No 3 white, 31@3 ¾c.

PORK—Family, $11 25@11 50, regular, $11 62½@11 [illegible]

LARD—Kettle 6½@6¾c.

BACON—Short clear sides, 6⅞@7c.

CHEESE—Prime to choice Ohio 11½@12, New York 1?@13c.

POULTRY—Spring chickens, $1 00@1 50, prime to choice $1 65@1 85, common to fair old, $4 00@2.25 per dozen ducks $1 50@4.75, live turkeys, 6@6½c.

WOOL—Unwashed medium clothing 23@27c, fine merino 18@20c common 16@18c, fleece washed medium clothing, 32@34c, combing 30@33c fine delaine X and XX, 33@30c burr and cots, 17@20c unwashed, 31@35c, pulled, 27@30c.

HAY—No 1 timothy $11 00@11 50, No 2, $9 00@10 0, mixed $8 50 prairie $7 00@7 50, wheat, oats and rye straw $5 00@6 00.

CATTLE—Good to choice butchers, $3 25@4.00, fair, $[illegible]@3 15 common, $1 50@2 25, stockers and feeders, $2 50@3 50, yearlings and calves, $2 00@2 75.

HOGS—Select butchers $4 10@4 20, fair to good packing $3 95@4 10 fair to good light $3.65@4 ?, common $2 25@3 60, culls $2 25@3 25.

SHEEP—Common to fair $2 50@3 25 good to choice, $3 50@4 25 common to fair lambs, $3 50@4 25 good to choice $4 10@4 75.

East Liberty.

CATTLE—Slow, prime $4 50@4.75, fair to good, $4 00@4 25, common, $3 25@3 57, stockers, $3 00@3 25, feeders $3 25@3 5, receipts, 616 head shipments 475 head.

HOGS—Fair active, receipts, 4,900 head, shipments 4? 00 head, Philadelphias $4 25@4 30, Yorkers $4 00@4 10 common and light, $3.30@4 00.

SHEEP—Dull $4 25@4 35, fair to good, $3 5@ 75 common, $2.25@3 00, lambs, $4.50@5 50 receipts 1,600 head, shipments, 2,400 head.

MARION WEEKLY STAR.

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STAR PUBLISHING CO. - PROPRIETORS

Relating to County Printing

We can not refrain from devoting a few lines to the subject of county printing, mainly because we do not believe the people are aware of what a farcical set of men they have to run the county affairs So these few lines are devoted to the county commissioners

Last Friday the annual report of this important body was ordered published in the Mirror and Independent, the law requiring the publication in two papers of opposite politics This order the board had a perfect right to give just as they did, but the STAR was an applicant for consideration and the way we were treated is what demands notice, together with reference to the alleged reasons for their action

The STAR was an applicant to publish the report asking it on the grounds that the WEEKLY would comply with legal requirements, that with the Daily and Weekly we could give it a wider circulation than our competition, and that a division of favors was as fair as regards to legal advertising as in other county matters In addition to this we had the promise of one who in going against us last year said we should be favored the next time No member of the board disputed the justice of our claim but some mighty barrier seemed against taking the work from the Independent, which had a perfect right to be an applicant for the work though its methods of competition were as unbusiness like and uncourteous as would be expected from such as its proprietors All efforts to divine the barrier against us failed, and even now after the order has been made, that great body has given us nothing definite

True, we witnessed the remarkable feat of Messrs Dodds and Imbody organizing themselves into a Supreme court, acting also as both plaintiff and defendant in error, and attorneys in the case, and then on the testimony of one Geo Crawford uncorroborated this mighty court said the law was on the side of the witness

What a spectacle that was, dear readers! The majestic Crawford testified to Judges Imbody and Dodds that the STAR never drew any boodle from the Central committee and consequently its Weekly edition was not a recognized republican paper The Judges bowed their heads in grave assent and shortly afterwards rendered their decision And what a grand precedent they established A paper is not recognized as a legal medium because, forsooth it has never had its finger in the pudding of campaign boodle And this was the reason but in giving it the two wise heads forgot that less than a month ago they recognized the Weekly STAR as perfectly legal when they paid the bill for printing the Sheriff's proclamation

Yet the legality of the matter is the ostensible barrier to extending favors to us, and if there is virtue in consistency we shall expect the law to be more strictly observed hereafter We propose that the intensely legal Mr Dodds shall see that legal advertisements hereafter shall be published in a compact form as the law requires, and a few thousand dollars saved to the county in this respect If the hair must split over a legal point we suggest that the commissioners learn the difference between one line pica and six line pica display We suggest that the Treasurer's tax notice which is now being published, be paid according to law Granting a liberal allowance for display the report should occupy at least sixteen squares less than it does, which at price and one half for ruled work would make a saving in this one instance of **one hundred and sixty eight dollars** Let this modest steal be cut off since a law has been found to govern legal printing If George Crawford & Co insist on a strict legal constitution in one instance let it apply in all cases and then when the the campaign cry of illegalities comes up it will be more effective

But the commissioners—we should say Dodds and Imbody for Lacy voted against them—give us no explanation of our illegality They failed to see any reason except George Crawford's statement that we handled no campaign boodle That was not the point in reality Crawford intimated that he would give them trouble and they feared him He is a mighty man and they dreaded his ill will and consequent abuse Therefore the division that they honestly considered just and fair they refused to make and then to appear wise the law the mighty law was made a turn table of excuse

Like the wise men of Greece who were asked why a fly flew and learned back with wise and important looks and said because nature suits so these commissioners say the law says so

Henceforth let the law rule in all transactions

SENATOR JONES of Florida is still in Detroit trying to win the woman that he loves notwithstanding the meeting of Congress and the importance of his presence The Senator seems to be a stayer and his persistency can be admired but he pursues the wrong course to win his lady Since the coachman and skating rink racket is worn out he should try becoming a convict behind the bars.

THERE was a very pleasant meeting of about a dozen of our citizens with the Black Diamond officials Tuesday evening The only definite conclusion reached was that Marion was friendly to the road The plans and demands of the company were clearly explained but the impression prevailed that too much is asked of our people A free right of way should certainly be a good inducement without the $20,000 donated and the Black Diamond officials have no reason to go back on Marion if there is a failure to reach the sum donated With the unfortunate factional fight that resulted in the Cannon Ball project the feeling is not as generous in Marion as it would have otherwise been and if the Black Diamond folks want Marion to do the proper thing they must not be too hasty Col Boone's short way of hurrying business is all right in one sense but he will be the gainer by handling Marion with a little care Too much independence on the one hand engenders a like feeling on the other and the result will be very unsatisfactory If the Black Diamond folks will recognize the interests of Marion and the road as mutual and suggest working together all will be well, for Marion can't well afford to lose the road We speak as we do hoping to guard against short answers that cannot help but result most unfortunately

THE City Council is about to organize in two or three committees and visit various places in Ohio, where water works have been established The council can thus get ideas on the taxation plan and the stock company franchise and will then certainly be able to judge which is the most feasible plan for Marion The council is tired of the gratuitous chestnuts that are forced upon them by the local factions that have always brought the project to a halt in Marion and after getting the practical ideas of those who have experience, the members will surely be qualified to judge for themselves The course the council proposes to take will meet with a hearty approval

THE much talked of message is before the reading world as it was read to Congress Monday The President has learned brevity last year and the message is shorter He has likewise learned to straddle in good form and more competent judges regard his position such on all important questions Civil service reform is lauded to the skies even though its observance falls little short of a farce The document as a whole, however reflects more credit upon the President's knowledge of public affairs than the press have credited him with

THE postoffice department has decided to issue on the first of January, a new 2 cent postage stamp There is a time-honored tradition that letter mail would not have good luck in transit unless the letter stamp composed a portrait of Washington, and the new design represents an embossed head of the father of this country in profile upon a blue tinted background It is said by those who have seen the design that it is more artistic and handsomer than anything that has been hitherto issued

THE deluge of popular indignation can not help but result in the President recalling the appointment of Dr Dabney to the position of medical examiner in the Pension Bureau The ex-prisoners of war are very loud in their denunciation of what they justly deem a heinous insult and all ex-Union soldiers are joining them through sympathy

THE Commercial has a double leaded special from Washington saying that Logan's fealty to the republican party is doubted by many and was so looked upon by President Grant Nothing short of substantiated facts will induce the people to give credence to such a rumor however

CONGRESS convened at noon Monday, but no earthquake shock was felt The main features were the reading of the message the condolence of departed members and the congratulations to victors Mr Carlisle is reported to have carried his head a little lower than usual

SPORTING AND ATHLETIC

Fred Archer had [illegible] 80 races won in sixteen years

The National base ball league began its annual meeting at Chicago Monday

Now that Beach has settled in Australia [illegible] announces that he will row Hanlan for $[illegible] a side

Billy Madden says he is anxious to fight Ed Kelly The latter expresses a willingness to meet Madden on any terms

During the past season 403 thoroughbreds have been sold in this country at auction for $[illegible] 184 an average price of $[illegible]

McCaffrey and Cleary are both hard at work Among the knowing ones it is thought that McCaffrey will win

S S Brown has bought of Plunger Walton the imported stallion Richmond by Bold Davrell dam Miss Harriet by Kettledrum for $[illegible]

Fred Glover of Chicago heavy weight offers to forfeit $1 000 if he does not stop Paddy Ryan in eight three minute rounds with small gloves

H M Johnson the American sprinter who beat the Englishmen last year will meet George M Smith in a match at Pittsburg on Dec [illegible] The race will be [illegible] yards for $[illegible] a side

Dr W F Carver the rifle shot announces that he will be in New York next month and will make arrangements for a match with William Graham the English crack who has challenged any man in America.

A FULL STATEMENT

Col Boone Explains the Black Diamond Project at Length

EDITOR MARION STAR

For the information of your readers will state below what the Black Diamond system of roads is, or will be when finished and what has been done on the system since June 1 1882 the date when the first line was laid out As a part of the unwritten history not heretofore made public I will state that it was Boone that had matters fixed with Col J Condit Smith of the firm of Condit & Smith who built the Chicago and Atlantic road whereby I was to get the Chicago and Atlantic road an entrance into the coke fields of West Virginia This arrangement was completed after the inspection of the surveys made of the Negley and Cannon Ball lines The whole duty of doing this work was given to me with the understanding that I was to furnish all the means to prepare the line or lines ready for construction I was then to be repaid all expenses and the sum of $100 000 for each of the three roads which were as follows

ONE

The Zanesville and Ohio River Railway company (now) was chartered June 13 1883 from Zanesville O via Harmar (opposite Marietta O) to Parkersburg W Va Length 85 miles 27 miles of this road was built in 1886 and the remainder to Harmar is under contract to be completed by December 31 1887 From Harmar O to Parkersburg W Va 12 miles the tracks of the Cincinnati Washington and Baltimore will be used

TWO

The Chicago Parkersburg and Norfolk Railway company chartered April 25 1884 from Parkersburg W Va via Washington C H Grantsville Glenville Addison and Huntsville W Va, to Clifton Forge Va length 235 miles Surveys all made, right of way secured free to the railway company and $250 000 local aid voted by the several counties along this line Nothing will be done toward the construction of this road until June 17 1887 when the road will be constructed within three years

THREE

The Zanesville Mt Vernon and Marion Railway company chartered January 4th 1886 from Zanesville via Fredricktown to Marion O Length 91½ miles with branch from Fredericktown via Galion to track of the Pittsburg Ft Wayne and Chicago railway a distance from Zanesville of 82½ miles or 26 miles from Fredericktown in all 117½ miles including Belt Line in Zanesville and siding 140 miles This road was contracted November 27 1886 with Messrs Brooks and Danforth of New York City the same to be built and thoroughly equipped by November 27 1888

The new new trunk line road on the first three links of the Black Diamond system, will form in my judgment, the great freight trunk line road from Chicago to the seaboard It will have no grade to exceed 62 8-10 feet per mile, or a curve of one foot to 100 feet in length No curvature to exceed six degrees The distance from Chicago to the seaboard by two routes will be as follows

By the Chicago and Atlantic	[illegible] miles
Zanesville Mt V and Marion	91½
Zanesville and Ohio River	85
Chicago Parkersburg and Norfolk	235
Richmond and Allegheny Clifton Forge to Lynchburg	85
Norfolk and Western Lynchburg to Norfolk	204
	967½

By using the Chesapeake and Ohio from Clifton forge to Newport News, the great seaboard port of the Huntington system which extends from Newport News Va to San Francisco California the distance will be 948½ miles

TO COMPARE WITH THE B AND O

Chicago Ill to Baltimore Md	853 miles
Baltimore Md to Norfolk Va all water route	187
Total	1040

Which shows a saving in distance

First route of	72½ miles
Second route of	91½

The grades on the B and O east from Zanesville O to Cumberland Md vary from 40 to 117 feet to the mile which necessitates a pusher at each grade for ten or twelve loaded cars The dead mileage on this system is equivalent in length to 800 miles only

Now for the fourth and last the Painesville Wooster and Ohio Railway company chartered April 6th 1886 Main line Columbus via Fredericktown Loudonville Lodi Medina and Painesville to mouth of Grand River Harbor 30 miles east of Cleveland with two coal branches from Lodi via Wooster Millersburg Coshocton to Zanesville and from Mansfield via Newville Greenville Loudonville Walhonding and Warsaw to Coshocton Total 400 miles The construction is now going on between Wooster and Lodi O [illegible] miles and cars to be running by July 1st 1887 The surveys will not be completed on this road until about June 1st 1887 when I confidently expect to put under contract 100 miles of this road to be completed by Dec 31st 1887 Single handed and alone I have battled with the public since June 1 1882 for the right of way on which to build the Black Diamond system of roads and I to day can say that I hope through all to have the entire Black Diamond system 880 miles (4 roads) completed by Dec 31 1890 All of them are coal roads hence the name Black Diamond It will be a system that will not pay tribute to or carry to the trunk lines in operation for they will be peoples roads and the local traffic on the three Ohio roads must be sufficient to pay operating expenses and the interest on [illegible] 000 per mile on bonded indebtedness

I have given the above facts for the general public to examine and to [illegible] [illegible] that this system will [illegible] and [illegible] we [illegible] and that all the towns that [illegible] will be [illegible] success [illegible] the [illegible] capitalists [illegible] to the cities towns and villages which are fortunate enough to be embraced in the Black Diamond system of roads

And in addition I am confident of being able to reduce coal bills to manufacturers on the system not less than 50 cents per ton and not less than [illegible] a ton to the general public

Respectfully

ALBERT E BOONE

Marion O Dec 6 1886

LABOR NOTES

The [illegible] labor unions were started in Germany in 1868 They now number only 55 000 members

Germany to-day has 11 000 000 workingmen Only about 200 000 of them are said to be organized

In Paris the average wages of the best masons [illegible] francs per day in [illegible] hours and in winter [illegible] [illegible] are paid the first Saturday in each [illegible]

It is probable that a strike involving [illegible] cotton operatives will take place in Fall River Mass within the next month The demand made by the spinners to have the rates paid in 1884 restored has been [illegible]

London brick layers are paid by the hour The general rate is 9 pence [illegible] 18 [illegible] In some cases the rate [illegible] but only by small builders [illegible] fifty two and a half hours a week in summer and forty seven in winter

The number of unemployed in London is very great and the [illegible] ing The sufferings [illegible] artisans and skilled workmen but [illegible] by untrained labor which [illegible] business to supply a living [illegible]

The Operative Bricklayers' [illegible] of London owns its hall and has $15 000 invested It grants 12 shillings a week to the sick [illegible] for funerals and 1 shilling to [illegible] members seeking work Out of [illegible] bricklayers in London 2 400 belong to it

A gentleman who is in the [illegible] and carefully watches labor [illegible] called attention the [illegible] that there is no organization in which [illegible] may gather who are foremen or [illegible] workmen It is his idea that if the [illegible] opportunity offered [illegible] continuing general organization [illegible] form a conservative body which [illegible] the same effect upon the [illegible] the Brotherhood of Locomotive [illegible] now has on the labor movement in general

LITERARY NOTES

Professor Lyman of Yale is slowly recovering from his recent stroke of paralysis

Although Ignatius Donnelly has been elected to the Minnesota Legislature this will not deter him from continuing his researches on the Shakespeare Bacon strife

One of the most [illegible] of [illegible] lately gotten out is [illegible] Ilitch a story of death and [illegible] upon the subject of the [illegible]

According to The Boston Transcript [illegible] Lowell remarked on receiving a [illegible] announcing Julian Hawthorne's visit [illegible] couldn't imagine what he was coming for

Hon Geo Bancroft the historian is still gathering material for another volume of his history He is said to be failing slightly and is not seen out of doors as much as formerly

A number of publishers in this country have found that it pays to get their work done in Europe The constant dissension with printers is not known there and the work can be contracted for a year or two ahead

The Professor in the Machine Shop consists of a series of papers reprinted from The Mechanical Engineer They discuss matters pertaining to machinery and the machine shop in a practical and entertaining manner

In his Children of the Cold Lieut Frederic Schwatka has produced an interesting account of domestic life among the Esquimo of the arctic regions with particular reference to the habits occupations and amusements of the boys It is handsomely illustrated

The Terrace of Mon Desir is a novel of Russian life said to have been written by an American woman married to a Russian diplomatist It is rather colorless as a study of character or even as a narrative but embodies many pleasant pictures of country life among the Russian nobility in a fashionable summer resort near St Petersburg

The Labor Movement—the Problem of To day is a compilation of articles by the most distinguished champions of the cause of the workingmen such as Henry George T V Powderly R Heber Newton and others It presents an interesting array of historical facts and furnishes a great deal of valuable information on the subject of trades unions the Knights of Labor and similar organizations

In his "Studies in Social Life" Mr George C Lorimer holds that the faithful application of the principles of American liberty as distinguished from the theories of liberty current in France and Germany can alone promote the general [illegible] society His views are conveyed in clear and animated language The chapters in which he discusses the taxation theories of Mr Henry George and trades unions are most interesting

Helen Ainslie Smith's One Hundred Famous Americans may be regarded as a sort of condensed biographical dictionary for the use of juvenile readers although the style is less dry and formal than belongs to a work of that class As a matter of fact it contains altogether more than a hundred American names [illegible] of which the author writes with [illegible] and impartiality The likenesses [illegible] these worthies are good bad and indifferent.

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS

Paddy Ryan is going to open a saloon in San Francisco

The Dwyers will work about thirty horses for the 2 year old lists next year

John P Clow has arrived in the east and is open to meet any one who looks for him

Yale has challenged Harvard for a fresh man eight oared race at New London next year

Mervine Thompson the heavy weight pugilist of Cleveland is out with a challenge to fight any man in America

The announcement that Jack Dempsey is willing to fight Sullivan is creating a great deal of talk in sporting circles

Lucky Baldwin of California is to pay $[illegible] for his two jockeys next year—$[illegible] to Isaac Murphy and $5 000 to [illegible] West

An event of great interest in the trotting world will be the meeting of the board of review of the National Trotting association which will be held in New York Dec [illegible]

W G George after making a trip to Australia where he may probably make a match with Malone, will return to New York and accept a position offered him in a [illegible] use

The Louisiana Jockey club course has been leased for the purpose of holding a winter meeting which will begin in December and continue until April 1 A ten days preliminary meeting will be held in December

According to the new base ball league rules the home plate must hereafter be of white rubber A New York paper finds fault with this because it doesn't go far enough and avers that the pitchers' hands should also be of rubber

It was anciently one of the customs of the chase for all the huntsmen to stain their hands in the blood of the deer as a trophy

A [illegible]

[illegible]

A Boston Ghost

[illegible]

—[illegible]

The Unending Grind of Toil

Whatever [illegible] of the rights and wrongs of [illegible] there is no question [illegible] the hardships endured by the [illegible] thousands of persons who either through ignorance or weakness, are unable to do more than keep soul and body together by unremitting toil of the [illegible] New York [illegible] almost [illegible] of people who work [illegible] in various [illegible] It is perfectly well known that at least 10 000 women in this city [illegible] at the minimum [illegible] women [illegible] sixteen hours a day [illegible] seven days a week are paid [illegible] their week's work [illegible] of which they have to pay the rent of their rooms their food and clothing and the rest they must use

There are whole communities of people dwelling on the east side of New York to whom [illegible] and [illegible] in unknown quantities the life of [illegible] children is one of unceasing grind of toil from childhood to old age [illegible] is foul in labor [illegible] goes on in the poor wretches [illegible] exhausted upon the pile of [illegible] The [illegible] pictures which appear in the newspapers of the awful squalor and toil among the [illegible] All thinking people agree that something ought to be done One hundred years ago New York knew no such misery and ought not to know it to day —Brooklyn Eagle

MUSICAL AND THEATRICAL

Margaret Mather has settled "Masks and Faces" [illegible]

Robson has changed his mind about coming to this country [illegible] He is afraid [illegible]

Mr [illegible] A Wit [illegible] and will [illegible] open her engagement [illegible]

The number of traveling companies this year is more than [illegible] one third [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] May [illegible] there [illegible] will make his first survey of [illegible]

Chicago is to [illegible] It will not [illegible] Congress street and have a depth of 187 feet and seat [illegible]

A novel dramatic entertainment has been projected in London [illegible] a series of morning performances [illegible] fresh [illegible] play [illegible] illustration of what it was that the people [illegible] ago on the British stage

[illegible] the H[illegible] [illegible] truth [illegible]

OLD PEOPLE IN TIMES GONE BY

[illegible]

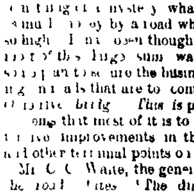
According to Alexander Cornelius D[illegible] don, an Illyrian nobleman lived for [illegible] years

WANTS TO SPEND $2,000,00

Some Costly Railroad Improvements t Made in Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI Dec 10 —The Cin[illegible] Hamilton & Dayton Railroad company [illegible] opposition to the stockh[illegible] to issue $[illegible] of mortgage bonds [illegible] of capital stock It has [illegible] mystery what was wante[illegible] by a road whose stock [illegible] so high [illegible] thought by many [illegible] this large sum was to be us[illegible] into the business of the H[illegible] that are to come over to [illegible] This is probably tru[illegible] that most of it is to be spent [illegible] improvements in this city To[illegible] other terminal points on their line

Mr C C Waite, the general manage[illegible] the road [illegible] "The directors wis[illegible] spend $[illegible] on the road There is a bond d indebtedness of $[illegible] The laws p[illegible] a railroad fro[illegible] issuing more b[illegible] than stock [illegible] have now $[illegible] of common [illegible] $1 600 000 of [illegible] ferred stock [illegible] It was [illegible] cessary [illegible] crease the [illegible] $10 000 [illegible] the propos[illegible] favorably [illegible] upon at the s[illegible]



C C WAITE

[illegible] the $[illegible] of stock [illegible] up among the [illegible] holding stock The sum of $[illegible] [illegible] large amount to spend on a [illegible] [illegible] and with large [illegible] But we want [illegible] terminal facilities and we [illegible] to have [illegible] additional rolling [illegible] to pay for We have 1,000 freight an[illegible] cars contracted for and six new [illegible] motives are to be built but this money [illegible] principally in giving us b[illegible] terminal facilities here which are al[illegible] But they are not ample [illegible] [illegible] has been hampered [illegible] long time by reason of insufficient room and now we shall [illegible] prepare ourselves [illegible] all that [illegible]"

BEAST, BIRD AND FISH

[illegible] Catskill N Y [illegible]

[illegible] is so great [illegible] that [illegible] everywhere

[illegible] and pickerel [illegible] Madison Ind [illegible]

[illegible] introduced seven [illegible] Since that time [illegible] that between [illegible] skins were [illegible] ported

A Pennsylvania farmer who has [illegible] scattered a pe[illegible] his field The [illegible] got [illegible] away and neve[illegible] turned [illegible] farmer tried [illegible] something [illegible] finds the crows [illegible] him every morning

The largest dog in the world is no[illegible] In appearance he is a [illegible] between a Siberian bloodhound and a [illegible] the root [illegible] nose [illegible] and weigh[illegible] pounds [illegible] cost $100 and was imp[illegible] from Vienna

There is a [illegible] England [illegible] other things [illegible] the songs of wild birds [illegible] not lon[illegible] [illegible] a full song acclimated nig[illegible] against a Yankee mocking bird [illegible] until everythi[illegible] [illegible] improved upo[illegible] [illegible] Then the mo[illegible] [illegible] into a new field of so[illegible] nightingale listened but did not repeat [illegible] within a week

A [illegible] child was trying to cro[illegible] the [illegible] track on the south side [illegible] Cincinnati, the other [illegible] the near approach [illegible] in turning fell du[illegible] track The horses passed ove[illegible] injuring him and before [illegible] a dog, sitting wit[illegible] the corner of the market [illegible] to the child and pulled it fro[illegible] its clothes just as the wheels [illegible] to crush it

On the [illegible] of July a reporter of an [illegible] newspaper took out with [illegible] few miles from the Scottis[illegible] carrier pigeon to be dispa[illegible] to the office giving the [illegible] The bird was dul[illegible] but [illegible] on Tuesday last [illegible] It was in spl[illegible] [illegible] round its leg a port[illegible] still deciphe[illegible] has the bird been spe[illegible]

[illegible] the fact that the buffalo [illegible] extinct in the United State[illegible] National museum recently sent its ta[illegible] William T Hornaday with tr[illegible] assistants to Montana and Wy[illegible] [illegible] securing good spe[illegible] Hornaday [illegible] that he ha[illegible] twenty of these an[illegible] will be mounted and [illegible] in the National museum [illegible] distributed to the pri[illegible] of the country

John Templeton a blacksmith of Al[illegible] [illegible] Recen[illegible] when a piece [illegible] staggered an[illegible] was unconsci[illegible] revived th[illegible] of the shop crying [illegible] piece of ste[illegible] the faithful anim[illegible] teeth and d[illegible] Mr Temp[illegible] the dog's mouth was badly bur[illegible]

One of the Old [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] that moment [illegible] young [illegible] George have yo[illegible] turned [illegible] Dearie how you resemble your father

[illegible] been telling me [illegible] And from that d[illegible] cuts the [illegible] has to do no [illegible] with bangs —Chicago Ramble

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LOCAL NEWS.

—John Mag[illegible], of [illegible] was in the city Wednesday

—The City Hall is receiving [illegible] by S & F R Suter

—Probate Criminal court [illegible] Tuesday until Saturday

W S Frash went to C[illegible] Wednesday on a business trip

Charles Moore and Lest[illegible] went to LaRue Wednesday

—W L Warner spent [illegible] in the Forest City

—Miss Emma Ault went [illegible] this morning to visit friends

James Lors[illegible] was in the city Tuesday visiting friends

—M B Chase went [illegible] morning to attend to [illegible]

Miss Dessie Kling visit[illegible] Cleveland O friends [illegible]

—Northwestern Ohio Med[illegible] meets at Lima Wednesday and Thursday

—Dr Sweney went to Lima Wednesday to attend a meeting of [illegible] and A

—The Medical Society met in the basement room of the court house Tuesday afternoon

There is a rumor that the rink will open but we have no source of good authority.

—Lima is going to start on her new water works next week [illegible] long on the way

—Gregory & [illegible] mall is to start up one week from today according to the present programme

—Frank Swisher one of Tully township's most reliable citizens was in the city Wednesday on business

—Corey Owens, of Upper Sandusky has accepted a position as clerk with the Chicago Clothing company

—Miss Emma Pettit, of Brookston [illegible] is in the city the guest of Mrs David Pettit, on north Main street

—G S McGuire is down sick at his home in West Marion but we have not learned the nature of his malady

—Applicants before the board of pension examiners are now examined in the court house basement

—Jacob Lenger was found guilty of petit larceny by the Probate court [illegible] day Sentence is reserved

—Dr McMurray was called to Morral Tuesday morning by the illness of one of the residents of that village

—The name of Philip Cooper of Green Camp appears among the Ohioans who were awarded pensions Monday

—Chanfrau in the Octoroon [illegible] Music Hall Thursday night He plays the only authorized version of that [illegible] story

—Mrs Harry Lee left Tuesday for San Francisco Cal to visit her uncle Dr Mon[illegible]ser, in the City of Golden Gates She goes via St Louis

—Mrs I G Allen is visiting at Van Wert and attending a family [illegible] in honor of the birthday of [illegible] Charles Baker

—It is now reported that one of our telegraph operators will shortly follow the example set by thousands of others in getting married

—The case of the State of Ohio vs Edward Masterson brought by David [illegible] was postponed by the Probate court until the meeting of the next grand jury

Shakopee (Minn) Argus Miss Grace Durfee of Marion O [illegible] Carleton College spent her [illegible] vacation in Shakopee the guest of Rev and Mrs Marshman

—To give our readers an idea of the amount of business done [illegible] Mining company, we have only [illegible] that Manager McClure reports [illegible] number over 1000 per month

—Fahey & Edmundson have [illegible] very fine line of crockery, glass [illegible] queensware which will [illegible] stock in the city Dick [illegible] range a display artistically [illegible] that it will be sure to catch the public eye

—H I Buell, of Zanesville [illegible] from Zanesville and will assist in the right of way work for the Black Diamond Mr Buell is a grandson of [illegible] of the Erie and Canal [illegible] a young man he is well ex[illegible] road matters

—A representative of the [illegible] ing company which is [illegible] was in police court Monday [illegible] ordinances of the town in relation to advertising bankrupt sales [illegible] to him In consequence the [illegible] will not advertise a bankrupt sale [illegible] low prices instead

—The figure is raising but still [illegible] large A telegram from C[illegible] that Marion and Marion county will be asked about $20 000 for the Black Diamond The arrival of the Colonel is postponed as he had to return to Zanesville Monday to attend a meeting of the Black Diamond officials

—We are authorized to announce that on Fridays and Saturdays Dec [illegible] 1886 and [illegible] [illegible] their [illegible] Tickets good going on [illegible] and good returning until [illegible] 1887, inclusive

—Janitor Malloy [illegible] of his position in the court house [illegible] the [illegible] should be kept [illegible] have [illegible] lower Malloy [illegible] money [illegible]

The ladies of the Episcopal church have adorned the City Hall most gracefully for the occasion of their annual fair [illegible] are most tasteful [illegible] the hall [illegible] by the young ladies [illegible] The cause for which these annual [illegible] are given is a sufficient indication that it will be well patronized

Mr Gil[illegible] is humping herself to make the Black Diamond a stretching The old girl needs something to boom her

[illegible]

—The remarks are heard from the traveling public upon the very creditable displays in the windows of a number of our large establishments The people of Marion need not send away for goods they may need when the latest designs in novelties and of the best makes are constantly kept on hand by our dealers

A Runaway

While John Gray and a companion were driving into the city Wednesday their horse became frightened at the [illegible] depot The horse [illegible] and striking [illegible] the roadway the buggy was overturned and Mr Gray and his companion thrown from the buggy

Mr Gray received a most severe gash on the head from which the blood flowed copiously His companion was more fortunate having received nothing more than a slight contusion on the nose The horse was stopped before he had gone a great way and the damages repaired

Real Estate Transfers

Abraham Gruber to Thomas B Gruber 115 acres in Marion tp $6 000

J L Davids to Wm H Kathell lot 7 in Marion $[illegible]

Ida [illegible] Sharpless to [illegible] A M[illegible] [illegible] in Marion corp $200

Minnie Reynolds to Thomas A [illegible] lots 14 and 20 in Bulle[illegible] add n to Marion $701

A Dutt to Ellen and J B Martin lot 57 and 5 in Marion $1400

J B and Ellen Martin to Lent Dutt lots 57 and [illegible] Marion, $140

Abraham Gruber to Thomas B Gruber 54 acres in Claridon tp $2700

Wm Miller (by heirs) to David Miller [illegible] acres in [illegible] tp $[illegible]

[illegible]

Green Camp

[illegible] were [illegible] well attended some twenty or twenty five [illegible] in attendance [illegible] Marion [illegible]

[illegible] meeting last Wednesday evening [illegible] a donation and supper The supper was complete and a general good time was had

Mr Enos Baldwin of [illegible] in [illegible] hall Tuesday evening

A surprise party occurred at the residence of Daniel Smeltzer west of town last Friday evening it being the birthday of Miss C[illegible]

The river for the past two or three days has been in splendid condition for skating and the boys [illegible] on the [illegible]

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Remarkable Strength

[illegible] citizens that Marion [illegible] man who is [illegible] strength physically [illegible]

[illegible] the county [illegible] claim the honor and distinction if there be any [illegible] One [illegible] by the teeth [illegible]

[illegible] Polander [illegible] will be noticed [illegible]

The Ladies' Fair

The Ladies' Fair [illegible] the [illegible] and the [illegible] no different [illegible] and stage are [illegible] with the [illegible] the display [illegible] Mr [illegible] and Mrs [illegible] the tasteful and [illegible] charge [illegible] articles with [illegible] which [illegible] On the opposite side of [illegible] the large and attractive ex[illegible] dressed and serve [illegible] The Busy B[illegible] comprises handsome specimens of [illegible] fancy sewing work There are all other attractive features and all are bound to please Those who wish to [illegible] display while it is best should call early for articles are rapidly selling Many were disposed of last night quite a number to be sent outside the city

FRASH!

HOLIDAY GREETING!

PRESENTS.

A nice Dress Pattern in silk, Cashmere, camels' hair, tricot or embroidered

Cloaks & Wraps —Seal plush, fine Newmarket or stylish short wraps

Nice Shawls in all grades

Linen Goods —Nice napkins, table cloths and napkins to match

In Handerchief department we have special values, and are showing a fine line

Bargains will be found in silk and cashmere mufflers

FRASH'S

DECEMBER

Brings the Holidays, the time of merriment and gift-making. No place in the city offers a more beautiful line of useful and practical presents than can be found at our store.

Bargains are Attractions!

Even at Christmas time. All goods marked low, and are positive bargains, yet in the CLOAK and WRAP DEPARTMENT we are offering great inducements. to close them, regardless of cost.

During the Holiday Season we will confine ourselves strictly to our regular DRY GOODS Business. offering in this connection all the Novelties suitable for Practical Holiday Gifts. Buy them while the stock is full.

FRASH'S

PRESENTS.

Hand Bags,
Gloves and Mittens,
Silk Umbrellas,
Nice Towels,
Hoods,
Toboggan Caps,
Hosiery,
Leggins,
Warm Skirts,
Underwear.
Bed Spreads,
Muslins,
Flannels,
Blankets.

FRASH'S

First Door West of Postoffice.

FULL OF PROMISE!

DEPICTING THE VAST RESOURCES OF THE C P AND N

A Correspondent Writes up the Proposed "Black Diamond" Road for the Chattanooga Tradesman An Interesting Letter

One of the very best articles yet written on the advantages of the proposed Chicago Parkersburg and Norfolk railroad (the Black Diamond) it appears in a recent number of the Chattanooga Tradesman from a correspondent traveling in West Virginia who writes from Huntsville It is said that the road as proposed [illegible] engineering in [illegible] out its course and the great and inexhaustible wealth of natural resources opened up by the line commend themselves to the most casual observer In speaking of the course the writer says

The route will be up Little Kanawha River to the mouth of Little Salt creek [illegible] a small divide or summit is crossed to Bens Run a tributary to Elk river thence down it to the Elk thence up Elk to its headwaters [illegible] the divide [illegible] and Clover creek a tributary of Greenbrier river, thence down [illegible] [illegible] Alleghany mountains [illegible] across the divide down to [illegible] of Back creek to [illegible] [illegible] a quarter to a half mile [illegible] the distance [illegible]

At the [illegible] the charter of the Baltimore and Cincinnati [illegible] matter to form [illegible] has been [illegible] mond and Alleg[illegible] which [illegible] the link between Ch[illegible] and [illegible] burg [illegible] and Illinois [illegible] head of Salt Lick creek [illegible] and the top of the Alleghany [illegible] a distance not exceeding 50 miles

It will be seen that the road passing through West Virginia at the [illegible] cated cuts [illegible] Baltimore and Ohio and the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad [illegible] opens an entirely new country it strikes the great coal fields of the State in their very center and passes through 100 miles of them and in hauling these coals to seaboard it is one continuous down grade from the top of the Alleghany mountains at Rider's gap eight miles east of the point to Richmond a distance of about 200 miles No other road on the continent from coal fields to tide water has such an advantage Over this line an engine of average weight can draw thirty loaded cars of coal up Elk river to the summit at its head then the train would run by force of gravity to the mouth of Knapp's creek There would then be fourteen miles of up grade to the summit of the Alleghany at Rider's gap, and the whole elevation to be overcome is only about 1400 feet from Rider's gap to Richmond or Norfolk is an entire down grade

Thus at a glance it will be seen that the difficulties between coal and tide water over this line are reduced to a minimum Never until within the last year had there been an actual survey and never before had the most skeptical dared dream that any sane person would think of building a standard railroad over the route When the gentlemen who compose the company began they had no idea but that of calling attention of moneyed men to the advantages of their scheme and thereby benefit their city and State They themselves were ignorant of the vast wealth that might be developed as much so as he who enters for the first time an unexplored cavern But as they groped their way along with their corps of engineers, new labyrinths opened up at every turn The grades were lighter than they had dared hope the timber coal, iron and agricultural wealth far greater than they had reason to suppose, and the distance shorter in fact, there was nothing that did not invite and it is confidently believed that had it not been for the stringency of the times, much of the road would already be under contract if not already built

New York capitalists have viewed the enterprise with such favor as to have a prominent engineer go thoroughly over the line recently and report which he is now doing in the most favorable manner [illegible] has been to draw already the [illegible] of land buyers to the region it penetrates

Medical Convention

The Marion County Medical society met in the rooms of the Agricultural society [illegible] day at 2 p m

There was a full attendance and in the absence of the president Dr Uhler was [illegible] the chair

The society devoted the first hour to the [illegible] of the constitution and by laws and transacted some routine business

One interesting feature of the meeting was the reading of a paper by Dr Uhler and report of cases

Dr Uhler's paper on "The Necessity of Urinary Analysis" was a very able one and was well received and ably discussed by the members

Drs Davis Weeks and McConnell reported cases

Dr A[illegible]matta of Wyandotte was admitted [illegible] ship

Dr Weeks was made essayist and Dr [illegible] alternate

These meetings are growing in interest and the member of the profession who absents himself is the loser Let all members attend the next regular meeting, to be held the first Tuesday in January

RAILROAD NEWS

About 100 cars went west over the C and A Tuesday

There were 620 cars of west bound freight in the C and A yards Monday night

The C and A had 550 west bound cars standing on the side tracks Sunday night

Five hundred cars of dead freight were on the N Y P and O Tuesday en route for the C and A

Some of the boys wonder what Ike Bigelow was doing with the key hole several nights ago Ah there Ike

Hon W O Johnson, general attorney for the C and A, was in the city recently looking after the interests of his road

Charley Fenton being indisposed Monday Dude B[illegible] during Charley's absence, officiated in a very creditable manner at the desk of the chief clerk

President Greene of the C H V and T, passed through the city Tuesday in his private car He was transferred to the C and A and taken to Chicago

In consequence of the heavy business done on the C and A quite a number of firemen have been promoted to engineers and among them is George Marston of this city

Vice President Greene of the Hocking Valley was in the city Tuesday completing arrangements for the large amount of side track which that company will put down at this place

The only difficulty experienced by the C and A is a lack of engines to remove the freight from the yards When they get their eight consolidated engines this will be somewhat obviated

Columbus Journal The remains of the infant son of Conductor William Foreman of the Hocking Valley whose death occurred at the family residence 223 west Maple street Saturday will be taken to Toledo today for interment

The following applications for listing securities have been made at the New York Exchange Chicago Burlington and Northern $[illegible] [illegible] bonds St Paul and Duluth $500 000 Duluth Short Line first mortgage bonds Columbus Hocking Valley and Toledo $10 000 additional [illegible] bonds

Trains 4 and 5 on the N Y P and O do not stop at Caledonia and conductors are bothered considerably by passengers asking to get off Conductor [illegible] silences all such fellows by the simple answer that You can get off if you want to but look at your health afterwards [illegible] we do not stop That settles them

The boys at the C and A have determined to inaugurate the New year in a most fitting manner Each intends to swear off blowing the [illegible] of course this is unnecessary as the boys don't know all are to quit smoking this will save many a nickel, and those who are not married have determined to do so before the year 1888 and others have also taken a solemn oath that they will not necessitate the father of the young lady whom they are engaged to to come down stairs and inform the loving swain that it's time to tuck his pups and run one The intention is a laudable one and should be encouraged as much as possible It will save many a sleepy yawn in the day time

ABOUT WOMEN.

Mrs Mackay's dressmakers are pledged not to duplicate her dresses

San Francisco boasts of the richest colored woman on record Her name is Mary Pleasants and she is worth $250,000

Two philanthropic Philadelphia ladies have given $[illegible]0 000 for the erection of a Protestant Episcopal Memorial church in that city

Mrs Rhoda Corwin Morris, a sister of the late Thomas Corwin, recently celebrated her 87th birthday anniversary at Wilmington, O.

Mrs Mark Hopkins, nee Dunlap, who has sued her husband for divorce, is said to be the most beautiful woman who ever figured in Chicago society

The action of the mayor of New York in appointing two ladies members of the board of education will be hailed by friends of progress everywhere as a decided step in advance

Presidential widows are much more tenacious of life than presidents or vice-presidents The country is paying yearly annuities of $5 000 each to the widows of President Polk, President Grant and President Garfield, and only a few years ago ceased paying a life annuity to the widow of President Lincoln Mrs Tyler has survived her husband's administration full forty five years.

Minnie Hauk, the prima donna, says that King William of Germany is very fond of music She has sung before him a number of times "Once," she says, "I had sung a selection from Delibes' opera, 'Le Roi la Dit'—The King Has Said It —the principle soprano part of which has been composed for me. After I was through the emperor came up to me and smilingly said 'I have been listening attentively The song was very pretty, but, Miss Minnie, I could not make out what the king really did say' I was, however, equal to the occasion 'I do not know, either, your majesty' I answered 'what he had to say in particular for the king has to say everything here'"

CHURCH NOTES

The medical work of missionaries is so much appreciated in China that the natives now make annual contributions to its support.

Mission work in Africa is said to be progressing Four native Zulus are successfully preaching the gospel to other tribes. Half of their support is met by Zulu churches

A man in Chicago proposes the formation of a World's Day of Rest league He hopes to begin the movement among the Jews and advocates a convention of representative Jews, to be held in Paris in 1900

On one of the long railways of Russia church cars are to be provided on Sundays in which priests of the Greek church will conduct regular services for the benefit of the railroad men and others who are deprived of their regular worship

The Presbyterian and the Reformed Mission churches in Japan are united into a general synod The first church of the synod was organized in 1872 with eleven members Now the number of churches is forty five and have an aggregate membership of over 4 000

In 1830 there were 1 071 Congregational churches with 197 198 communicants in this country At the beginning of this year the number of these churches was 4 170, with 418 [illegible]61 communicants and 510 [illegible]22 teachers and scholars embraced in their Sunday schools

The Presbyterian synod of Nebraska was organized twelve years ago with thirty seven ministers, sixty four churches and 1,700 members It has now on its roll 1[illegible]0 ministers 191 churches 7 2[illegible] members and over 10,000 Sunday school scholars, and has contributed the past year $88,000.

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CLEVELAND'S MESSAGE.

WHAT THE PRESIDENT RECOMMENDS TO CONGRESS

A Lengthy Document of Which One Third is Devoted to Our Foreign Relations—A Review of the Cutting Case—The Tariff—Other Features of the Message.

WASHINGTON, Dec 6—President Cleveland's message opens with the usual survey of foreign relations, and one third of it is devoted to a discussion and review of such relations. Our government, he says, has consistently maintained its relations of friendship toward all other powers and of neighborly interest toward those whose possessions are contiguous to our own. Few questions have arisen during the past year with other governments and none of those are beyond the reach of settlement in friendly council. The cruel treatment of inoffensive Chinese in the far west is alluded to and in speaking of a remedy, he says the paramount duty of maintaining public order and defending the interests of our own people may require the adoption of measures of restrictions, but they should not tolerate the oppression of invividuals of a special race.

Discussing the fisheries question, so long a subject of anxious difference between the United States and Great Britain, the president says the questions involved are of grave consequence and from time to time, for nearly three quarters of a century have given rise to earnest international discussions not unaccompanied by irritation. Temporary arrangements by treaties have served to allay friction which however, has revived as each treaty was terminated. While desirous that friendly relations should exist between the people of the United States and Canada the action of Canadian officials during the past season toward our fishermen has been such the president thinks, as to threaten their continuance, and although disappointed in his efforts to secure a satisfactory settlement of the question, negotiations are still pending with reasonable hope that before the close of the present session of congress announcement may be made that an acceptable conclusion has been reached.

Alluding to our relations with Hawaii the president recommends an extension for seven years of the reciprocity treaty of 18[illegible]. He urgently renews his recommendations of legislation to carry into effect the Mexican reciprocity treaty of January, 1883 and proposes to initiate negotiations with Mexico for a new and enlarged treaty of commerce and legislation.

Referring to the Cutting case he says the incident has disclosed a claim of jurisdiction by Mexico, novel in our history, whereby any offense, committed anywhere by a foreigner, penal in the place of its commission, and of which a Mexican is the object, may, if the offender be found in Mexico be there tried and punished in conformity with Mexican laws. This jurisdiction was sustained by the courts of Mexico, and approved by the executive branch of that government, upon the authority of a Mexican statute. The appellate court, in releasing Mr Cutting, decided that the abandonment of the complaint by the Mexican citizen aggrieved by the alleged crime (a libelous publication) removed the basis of further prosecution, and also declared justice to have been satisfied by the enforcement of a small part of the original sentence.

The admission of such a pretension the president argues would be attended with serious results, invasive of the jurisdiction of the government and highly dangerous to our citizens in foreign lands therefore he has denied it and protested against its attempted exercise, as unwarranted by the principles of law and international usage. A sovereign has jurisdiction of offenses which take effect within his territory, although concocted or commenced outside of it but the right is denied of any foreign sovereign to punish a citizen of the United States for an offense consummated on our soil in violation of our laws, even though the offense be against a subject or citizen of such sovereign. The Mexican statute in question makes the claim broadly and the principle, if conceded, would make a dual responsibility in the citizen and lead to inextricable confusion destructive of that certainty in the law which is an essential of liberty.

When citizens of the United States voluntarily go into a foreign country, they must abide by the laws therein in force and will not be protected by their own government from the consequences of an offense against those laws committed in such foreign country, but watchful care and interest of this government over its citizens are not relinquished because they have gone abroad and if charged with crime committed in the foreign land a fair and open trial, conducted with decent regard for justice and humanity will be demanded for them. With less than that the government will not be content when the life or liberty of its citizens is at stake. Whatever the degree to which extra territorial criminal jurisdiction may have been formerly allowed by consent and reciprocal agreement among certain of the European states, no such doctrine or practice was ever known to the laws of this country or of that from which our institutions have mainly been derived.

In the case of Mexico there are reasons especially strong for perfect harmony in the mutual exercise of jurisdiction. Nature has made us irrevocably neighbors and wisdom and kind feeling should make us friends. The overflow of capital and enterprise from the United States is a potent factor in assisting the development of the resources of Mexico and in building up the prosperity of both countries. To assist this good work all grounds of apprehension for the security of person and property should be removed and the president trusts that in the interests of good neighborhood the statute referred to will be so modified as to eliminate the present possibilities of danger to the peace of the two countries.

It appearing that the government of Spain did not extend to the flag of the United States in the Antilles the full measure of reciprocity requisite under our statute for the continuance of the suspension of discriminations against the Spanish flags in our ports, I was constrained in October last to rescind my predecessor's proclamation of February 14, 1884 permitting such suspension. An arrangement was however speedily reached and upon notification from the government of Spain that all differential treatment of our vessels and their cargoes from the United States or from any foreign country had been completely and absolutely relinquished I availed myself of the discretion conferred by law and issued on the 27th of October my proclamation declaring reciprocal suspension in the United States.

It is most gratifying to bear testimony to the earnest spirit in which the government of the queen regent has met our efforts to avert the initiation of commercial discriminations and reprisals which are ever disastrous to the material interests and the political good will of the countries they may affect. The profitable development of the large commercial exchanges between United States and the Spanish Antilles is naturally an object of solicitude. Lying close at our doors and finding here their main markets of supply and demand the welfare of Cuba and Porto Rico and their production and trade are scarcely less important to us than to Spain.

Their commercial and financial movements are so naturally a part of our system that no obstacle to fuller and freer intercourse should be permitted to exist. The standing instructions of our representatives at Madrid and Havana have for years been to leave no effort unessayed to further these ends and at no time has the equal good desire of Spain been more hopefully manifested than now. The government of Spain by removing the consular tonnages fees on cargoes shipped to the Antilles, and by reducing transit fees has shown its recognition of the needs of less trammeled intercourse.

The president recommends placing the consular service on a better footing and reiterates the necessity of some mode of inspection and report of the manner in which the consulates are conducted.

He trusts international copyright will receive the attention it deserves by congress.

He recommends that provision be made for the immediate discharge from custody of persons committed for extradition where the president is of opinion that surrender should not be made and renews his recommendation of last year that existing legislation concerning citizenship and naturalization be revised. We have, he says, treaties with many states providing for the renunciation of citizenship by naturalized aliens but no statute is found to give effect to such engagements nor any which provides a needed central bureau for the registration of naturalized citizens.

Reaching domestic affairs, the first subject discussed is the tariff and to this the president devotes a great deal of space arguing that the necessity for a reduction of the tariff is more urgent than ever. The income of the government he says by its increased volume and through economies in its collection is now more than ever in excess of public necessities. The application of the surplus to the payment of such portion of the public debt as is now at our option subject to extinguishment if continued at the rate which has lately prevailed, would retire that class of indebtedness within less than one year from this date.

Thus a continuation of our present revenue system would soon result in the receipt of an annual income much greater than necessary to meet government expenses, with no indebtedness upon which it could be applied. We should then be confronted with a vast quantity of money the circulating medium of the people hoarded in the treasury when it should be in their hands or we should be driven into wasteful public extravagance with all the corrupting National demoralization which follow in its train. But it is not the simple existence of this surplus and its threatened attendant evils which furnish the strongest argument against our present scale of Federal taxation. Its worst phase is the exaction of such a surplus through a perversion of the relations between its people and their government, and a dangerous departure from the rules which limit the right of Federal taxation.

Good government, and especially the government of which every American citizen boasts has for its objects the protection of every person within its care in the greatest liberty consistent with the good order of society and his perfect security in the enjoyment of his earnings with the least possible diminution for public needs. When more of the people's substance is exacted through the form of taxation than is necessary to meet the just obligations of the government and the expense of its economical administration such exaction becomes ruthless extortion and a violation of the fundamental principles of a free government.

The indirect manner in which these exactions are made, has a tendency to conceal their true character and their extent. But we have arrived at a stage of superfluous revenue which has aroused the people to a realization of the fact that the amount raised professedly for the support of the government, is paid by them as absolutely if added to the price of the things which supply their daily wants as if it was paid at fixed periods into the hand of the [illegible]

Those who toil for daily wages are beginning to understand that [illegible] times vaunting [illegible] for the protection and [illegible] ment is dull and sluggish [illegible] magical band of labor [illegible] furnishing an occasion [illegible] and gaining the value [illegible] bear its burden [illegible] thoughtfully inquiring [illegible] cumstances and considering [illegible] continually pays into [illegible] he supplies his daily wants [illegible] fair share of advantages.

There is also a suspicion [illegible] surplus of our revenue [illegible] and exceptional be[illegible] the system which [illegible] creases without [illegible] people the vast accumulation [illegible] among our citizens whose fortunes [illegible] the wealth of the most favored [illegible] cratic nations, are not the natural [illegible] a steady plain and industrious [illegible]

Our farmers, too and those [illegible] rectly and indirectly [illegible] ducts of agriculture [illegible] and as often as the [illegible] households recur [illegible] cessive and needless taxation which [illegible] products struggle in foreign [illegible] the competition of nations which [illegible] ing a freer exchange of [illegible] permit, enable their people [illegible] which distress the American farmer.

As every patriotic citizen rejoices at the constantly increasing pride of our people in American citizenship and in the glory of our natural achievements and progress a sentiment prevails that the leading strings useful to a nation in its infancy may be well to a great extent discarded in the present stage of American ingenuity courage and fearless self reliance, and for the privilege of indulging the sentiment with true American enthusiasm, and citizens are quite willing to forego an idle surplus in the public treasury and all the people know that the average rate of Federal taxation upon imports is to-day in time of peace but little less while upon some articles of necessary consumption it is actually more than was imposed by the grievous burden willingly borne at a time when the government needed millions to maintain by war the safety and integrity of the union.

It has been the policy of the government to collect the principal part of its revenues by a tax upon imports and no change in this policy is desirable. But the present condition of affairs constrains our people to demand that by a revision of our revenue laws the receipts of the government shall be reduced to the necessary expense of an economical administration and this demand should be recognized and obeyed by the people's representatives in the legislative branch of the government.

In readjusting the burdens of Federal taxation a sound public policy requires that such of our citizens as have built up large and important industries under present conditions should not be suddenly and to their injury deprived of advantages to which they have adapted their business but if the public good requires it, they should be content with such consideration as shall deal fair [illegible]

[illegible]

The relation of the [illegible] to the revenue laws [illegible] a just and careful system of Federal taxation.

Those actually engaged in and more remotely connected with this kind of work number nearly one half of our population [illegible] continually [illegible] their hours [illegible] of the government [illegible] value of their [illegible] And yet [illegible] necessaries [illegible] which the most [illegible] economy enables them to bring into their homes and for their implements of husbandry they are obliged to pay a price largely increased by an unnatural profit which by the action of the government is given to the more favored manufacturer.

I recommend that, keeping in view all these considerations the increasing and unnecessary surplus of national income annually accumulating be released to the people by an amendment to our revenue laws which shall cheapen the price of the necessaries of life and give free entrance to such imported materials as by American labor may be manufactured into marketable commodities.

The sum paid upon the public debt during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1886 was $[illegible]. During the twelve months ended October 31, 188[illegible] three per cent bonds were called for redemption amounting to $[illegible], of which $[illegible] was so called to answer the requirements of the law relating to the sinking fund and $[illegible] for the purpose of reducing the public debt by application of a part of the surplus in the treasury to that object. Of the bonds thus called $[illegible] became subject under such calls to redemption prior to November 1, 1886. The remainder amounting to $[illegible] matured under the calls after that date.

In addition to the amount subject to payment and cancellation to November 1 there were paid before that day certain of the bonds, with interest thereon amounting to $[illegible] which were anticipated as to their maturity of which $[illegible] had not been called. Thus $107,[illegible] had been actually applied prior to the 1st of November 1886 to the extinguishment of our bonded and interest bearing debt leaving on that day still outstanding the sum of $[illegible]. Of this amount $[illegible] were still represented by three per cent bonds. They have however been since November 1 or will at once be further reduced [illegible] being bonds which have been called as already stated but not retired and cancelled before the latter date.

Nothing can be accomplished however, in the direction of this much needed reform unless the subject is approached in a patriotic spirit of devotion to the interests of the entire country and with a willingness to yield something for the public good.

While on the subject of tariff and revenue the president specially directs the attention of congress to the recommendations of the secretary of the treasury touching the simplification and amendments of the laws relating to the collection of revenues.

[illegible]

[illegible] and lasts frontiers are palpable, [illegible]

[illegible]

The president [illegible] the recommendation [illegible] for the [illegible] appointment of [illegible] States courts [illegible] very great importance [illegible]

[illegible] Indian affairs he says the present system of agencies standing alone is inadequate for the accomplishment of an object which has become pressing in its importance—the more rapid transition from tribal organization to citizenship of such portions of the Indians as are capable of civilized life and [illegible] the necessity for supplemental agencies [illegible] a commission of [illegible] intelligent persons [illegible] from the army [illegible] with the management of such matters in detail as cannot with the present organization be properly and successfully conducted. The time is ripe, the president tells congress, for the work of such an agency.

The president recommends the repeal of the pre-emption and timber culture acts and [illegible] home[illegible] laws be so amended as to better secure compliance with their requirements of residence, improvement and cultivation for five years from date of entry without commutation or provision for speculative relinquishment. [illegible] pension bureau [illegible] any system [illegible] pensions [illegible] should be restricted [illegible]

The present commissioner of pensions [illegible] satisfactory [illegible] the pension bureau [illegible] amount of work done was the largest [illegible] organization of the bureau [illegible]

[illegible] with the law and [illegible] require of which though [illegible]

[illegible] and a zealous [illegible] will be a willing [illegible] these whose productive re-

[illegible] of our progress and [illegible] pleuro-pneumonia among [illegible] has led to burdensome [illegible] disastrous restrictions [illegible] branch of our commerce [illegible] to affect the quantity [illegible] supply. This is a [illegible] importance and of such far [illegible] that I hope it will engage the attention of the congress to [illegible] remedy may be applied [illegible] constitutional delegation [illegible] general government will permit [illegible] the consideration of the report of the commissioner, [illegible] concerning the interest [illegible] are.

[illegible] commends as a plain duty [illegible] the government, the payment [illegible] quarter dollars still due to [illegible] savings bank depositors.

[illegible] reform is the last important [illegible] in the message. The continued [illegible] civil service law, he asserts [illegible] most convincing proofs [illegible] usefulness. Every public [illegible] a just idea of his duty to the [illegible] the value of this reform. [illegible] friends are found among those [illegible] best and its warmest supporters [illegible] who are restrained and protected [illegible] requirements. The meaning of [illegible] protection is not appreciated [illegible] want places under the government [illegible] of merit or [illegible] those who insist that the selection [illegible] should rest upon a proper [illegible] active partisan work. [illegible] public officers, if not their lives [illegible] afforded them to [illegible] and they mean to [illegible] the good people of the country the better performance of the work of their government.

It is exceedingly strange, the presiden thinks that the scope and nature of his re [illegible] understood and that s [illegible] within its plan ar [illegible] When cavil yields mor [illegible] the system will hav [illegible] number of its friends. Our civil service reform, the presiden says may be imperfect in some of its de tails it may be misunderstood and oppose it may not always be faithfully applied [illegible] sometimes miscarry throu [illegible] willful intent it may sometim [illegible] assaults of its enemies or l [illegible] misguided zeal of impract [illegible] but if the people of this cou [illegible] to the banishment of its u [illegible] ple from the operation of t [illegible] will abandon the su [illegible] of the safety and success of Ame [illegible] tutions.

In [illegible] he invokes for this refo [illegible] ful and ungrudging support of [illegible] urges an increase of the salaries o [illegible] and expresses the hope t [illegible] appropriations may [illegible] to increase the [illegible] of the cause they have in charge.

SECRETARY MANNING'S REPORT

The Silver Question Its Principal To

Free Wool Advocated

WASHINGTON, Dec 6—The annual rep of Daniel Manning, secretary of the t ury has been given to the public. It lengthy document, the main points of wh however may be presented briefly as [illegible]

To stop the purchase of silver is our [illegible] duty and our interest.

It will stop a wasteful and injurious [illegible] and the taxation which defrays it.

It will commence and promote refor the sum and the methods of Federal t tion.

It will recover to the United State equality of position (non coinage) with [illegible] powers which will give us due influ in negotiation.

It will induce negotiation, and negoti to the end of relief not for the purpo delay.

Stopping the purchase and coinage o ver is the first step and the best whic the United States can take doing their part to repair the monetary dislocati the world. Its origin was foreign, its re is international. The time is ripe for powerful commonwealth to enter decis upon that international transaction. [illegible] ment must not be let slip.

It remains to consider the reduct taxation to the needs of the govern economically administered. It is my that whenever we begin taking o [illegible] of war tariff taxes on raw ma [illegible] increased prosperity will follow employers who dread it, and such larg [illegible] employment to the wage-earne [illegible] it by increasing the sale abroad own manufactures, and by whippi foreign competition in our own marke we shall see our income from imported factures dwindle so fast that not o compel the retention of the most fit revenue—whisky, tobacco and bee perhaps to drive us back to getting te lions of revenue from two cents a pou on coffee and half as much from tea.

I respectfully recommend to congre [illegible] confer upon the wage earners United States the boon of untaxed c and in order thereto, the immediate an act simply and solely placing ra upon the free list.

CONGRESS CONVENES

Proceedings of the Two Branche Legislature

WASHINGTON, Dec [illegible] Senator [illegible] called the senate to order and Rev J [illegible] delivered the prayer. Annual r the departments were laid before the Committees were appointed to no [illegible] that the senate was in session wait upon the president. Messrs. [illegible] and Saulsbury were designated to the duty. Senator Williams [illegible] were presented by his colleague, [illegible] he was sworn in. S [illegible] and petitions were introduced to for [illegible] land grant to authoriz [illegible] Missouri and [illegible] rivers was then taken until 2 o'clock, [illegible] was received and its read

The reading of the message was f [illegible] which and accompanying [illegible] were ordered printed.

Mr H[illegible] said that the senate Pa [illegible] funding bill had been set [illegible] order for to-morrow and a its consideration be deferred in the the house would in the meantime [illegible] action that would relieve the senate [illegible]

Mr Blair announced the death o [illegible] Mr Pike and on his m [illegible] as a mark of respect to his [illegible] p m adjourned.

House.

WASHINGTON, D 6—The spe [illegible] to order at noon, and [illegible] delivered the prayers. T [illegible] members respon [illegible] was informed that the [illegible] for business. Messrs. Rea [illegible] of Kentucky and Reed [illegible] to notify the [illegible] his pleasure [illegible] S S Cox and Henry Baern of [illegible] Henry W Rush, of Mary [illegible] sworn in as members. The house [illegible] until 3 o'clock, when the [illegible] received and read.

LOCAL NEWS.

Patsy Burke Sundayed in G[illegible]

John Haller of Mans[illegible] was [illegible]sing [illegible]

B[illegible] b[illegible] w[illegible] sup[illegible] [illegible] t[illegible] sit [illegible] night

H B [illegible] was [illegible] [illegible] in the city [illegible] seeing a friend

Mrs F H Day of C[illegible] was in the city Saturday

G W Sharrock, administrator of Wm Sharrock, filed sale bill

Robert W [illegible]body and R[illegible] F Hartuff were licensed to marry

Mrs James Hill returned to her home in Columbus Saturday morning

[illegible] W Johnston and wife S[illegible]ed with parents on east Center street

S R Barton and Miss Minnie [illegible] visiting Judge Criswell on west Center street

G H Gover administrator of the estate of Henry Gover deceased filed sale bill

Willis Young and Howard Woodruff two Richwood printers were in the city Sunday

Mr Kendall of the New London Connecticut Granite works Sundayed at his home in Bucyrus

Henrietta Augens[illegible] administratrix of the estate of Geo [illegible] Augenstine filed inventory and appraisement

A masked ball will be given by the Monarch Band, Dec 24 The b[illegible] orchestra will furnish the music

—A number of our citizens visited the camp of the Black Diamond engineering corps, in the east end Sunday

Will Bull was at Columbus Sunday witnessing the manner in which the Capital City folks spend the Sabbath

—Mrs J H Kling of St Paul Minn is visiting relatives in the city the guest of Mrs A H Kling on east Center street

The necessity of door plates or some other kind of signs on the doors of court house offices become more apparent every day

—Mrs C Campbell of south East street and her son the Doctor have [illegible] from New York City after a four week visit

—The old brick church building on north East street is to have some necessary repairs put upon it a new roof among other things

An union temperance meeting was held at the M E Church Sunday evening no services being held in most of the places of worship

We are pleased to learn that George Christian is rapidly improving and that he will be able to attend to his duties in a short time

—W & J [illegible] Prendergast have been awarded the contract of furnishing the coal for the court house heater from now till next summer

—A fine baby boy has arrived to bless the home of Mr and Mrs James Com[illegible] in the Conrad block It's the first born and Jim feels very proud

The Infirmary directors were making their monthly settlement today There is now a vacancy in that board [illegible] at any legal provision for filling it

—Bless us There are two new bands practicing to reach a musical proficiency and another is talked of Marion seems to go by jerks and starts sometimes

—Dr McMurray has a number of patients at Morral which demands his attention there A great number of children in that vicinity are stricken with diphtheria

—The county commissioners have given George Bloom an allowance of $20 per month for extra help as engineer of the boiler house during the winter months

—Hume A Turney the wound up never-to-run-down book agent who spent last spring in Marion Sundayed in the city He gave the STAR a call that was welcome

—The Meigs Concert company which was to have opened the lecture course season here this week, has postponed its engagement to some future date when they will appear

—Dix's pond is now the resort for the small boy and we dare say, for the large one also A frozen pond has as much attraction for the average boy as [illegible] good swimming hole

—Mrs Cramer, wife of the C and A engineer who formerly run on this division but is now on the west end visited acquaintances in this city last week returning to Huntington Sunday

—The Grammar schools of Messrs Randall and Emery held a spelling match at the Public schools Friday afternoon The scholars belonging to Mr [illegible]'s room came off with the plume [illegible]

—The big boiler that furnish[illegible] the Huber shops gave out last Saturday and the failure of the small engine [illegible] the works caused the shut down [illegible] the boys off Saturday afternoon [illegible] has [illegible] thoroughly repaired

—George Dedrich took [illegible] express run on the C and A [illegible] in order to give [illegible] George would [illegible] for no man in the county [illegible] the location of towns [illegible]

—The band [illegible] to drive an ordinary man wild [illegible] ment, or send him bodily [illegible] lum If brass bands would [illegible] the woods to [illegible] themselves [illegible] the State a great expense W[illegible] proficiency with patience

—The police have at last found the persons who for some weeks past have stolen chickens from different persons in the city The thieves turn out to be a little [illegible] girl [illegible] girl being 13 years of age and the boy 11 years of age No arrests [illegible] been made and it is somewhat [illegible] there will [illegible]

And Datt who had [illegible] against him a few days ago [illegible] has transferred his property [illegible] J B Martin who [illegible] [illegible] Datt It is said [illegible] a few days ago [illegible] corporal punishment by [illegible] tisement on his posteriors

OUR TOWNS

A Visit to LaRue and Agosta See New Bloomington by the Star What He Saw and What He Observed

Stepping off the train at LaRue and wending [illegible] way up [illegible] principal streets of [illegible] the STAR man could not perceive any striking [illegible] the STAR would [illegible] alone to believe that [illegible] of the modern appurtenances [illegible] bitter [illegible] centuries the [illegible] the first appointment was [illegible] have turned it [illegible] to drive from its precincts [illegible] who was not capable [illegible] beauty of a primeval character

The town [illegible] is the [illegible] endeavored to contest [illegible] strong frisky [illegible] playfully [illegible] auburn locks which hang in bountiful profusion down the [illegible] shoulders of him who [illegible]

The town however improved with second [illegible] familiarity which was in itself a sufficient indication that things would now prosper and that a more [illegible] would pervade both parties

The STAR man visited Dr Copeland an old liner and a practitioner of the old school The Doctor is up in the sixties and some years since quit the practice of medicine A most genial and pleasant gentleman is Dr Copeland [illegible] intellectual ability [illegible] better experience [illegible] information which makes him a most valuable authority [illegible] matters which concern our [illegible]

LaRue is a [illegible] cannot be excelled [illegible] business [illegible] plainly [illegible] enterprising [illegible] the trade which they draw from the country is due greatly to the fact that so many men of enterprise are within her borders

[illegible] hotels [illegible] particular [illegible] all that [illegible] public can desire [illegible] from up [illegible] healthy condition

[illegible] the brightest [illegible] Marion county and the STAR in consideration of this fact humbly bows her acknowledgement of compliments already bestowed with the hope of [illegible] what she has already done will [illegible] increase in the future

Trudging into Agosta once New Bloomington, the STAR was not recognized neither was there a brass band at the depot to escort this lone wanderer to an hostelry The citizens of that place have become so entirely infatuated with themselves that they had to change the name of the town It's putting on all the airs of a brand new dude while its [illegible] that they are so extensively [illegible]

Some time ago the liquor question was voted on by the residents of that place that is the Dow law Unfortunately the tickets were made to read that the purpose for which a vote was being taken was to prohibit the sale of intoxicants within the borders of Agosta while in reality such a town does not exist in Marion county nor in the State of Ohio New Bloomington is the name of the town and it has never been changed except by the railroad company The drys won by a majority of [illegible] owing to the above [illegible] has ever [illegible] is not yet out [illegible] possibly won't be [illegible] this fact however does not [illegible] inhabitants planting a Normal school in their midst, nor prevent them from [illegible] the strife

Not long since [illegible] threw open his doors [illegible] [illegible] Want [illegible] he had [illegible] dollars [illegible] [illegible] ecclesiastic [illegible] glow of [illegible] fields that [illegible] wood on the board [illegible]

The town has been [illegible] agony of suspense anxiously [illegible] developments [illegible] nothing to attract attention and the STAR took his departure [illegible] had entered its portals

Pertinent and Appropriate

The STAR—[illegible] [illegible] county of [illegible] the Republican [illegible] paper [illegible] than Crawford & Co [illegible] [illegible] at the time [illegible] Is it because [illegible] they will [illegible] printing? [illegible] Crawford & Co were cut off of the patronage of [illegible] Marion by the [illegible] babes in the woods [illegible] On [illegible] the reason [illegible] law provides that [illegible] printing [illegible] two papers [illegible] are [illegible] party that [illegible] go to the STAR, then [illegible] the [illegible] the Ind[illegible] [illegible] If it saves the [illegible]

—[illegible] yet [illegible] They [illegible] $50,000 [illegible] only want that at [illegible] five years [illegible] rate [illegible] [illegible] hundred and [illegible] won't touch the building [illegible] In fact very few companies a policy at the figure offered

AN ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING

The Young Men of the City Meet at City Hall and Take the Necessary Steps for the Formation of a Young Men's Republican Club

According to the call that was issued last week the young men of the city assembled at City Hall to organize a Young Man's Republican Club

It was not expected that a very large number of young republicans would be present [illegible] house assembled before the town clock had struck eight

Geo Copeland was chosen temporary chairman of the organization and Henry Hane chosen temporary secretary

The chairman then in a few brief words outlined the object for which the meeting had been called and the object for which it was being organized

The chair was empowered to appoint the committees on nominations, constitution and by laws Those who were appointed on these committees are made up of the best material in the organization so that no fear need be entertained as to the result

As the business of the first meeting was necessarily limited, nothing beyond the above was transacted Every one present evinced the greatest enthusiasm which is a sufficient indication that the spirit of good fellowship prevailed The club now has a membership of about seventy five and at the next regular meeting it is expected that this number will be materially increased

The next meeting will be called some night this week when permanent organization will be effected Let all attend

PROSPECT

Of Trouble Over a Land Grant in the Little City on the South

Special to the Daily STAR]

PROSPECT, Dec 6 1886—Our town is completely torn up and terribly excited over an old land patent issued to Michael McConnell a soldier of the Revolutionary War

The grant is signed by John Adams then president of the United States and Timothy Pickering then Secretary of State

The tract of land comprises the entire village and is so specified in the patent

Mr Glass has the original patent and the survey in his possession It has the U S government and State of Ohio seals making it legitimate

Mr Glass got onto it through real estate agency and [illegible] up the matter with the above result

They Say

That Crawford and Dumble are happy

That the Black Diamond folks mean business

That Marion needs a complete city directory

That the poker rooms are now playing to good sized crowds

That the Cannon Ball folks will soon do some tall skirmishing

That the new grist mill will be ready to start up in a few days

That west Center is to have a big business boom in the spring

That ice skating has its old-time attractiveness since the rollers have worn out

That the Public schools of the city were never in such a healthy condition as this year

That Uncle Bob Kerr is a capital fellow, because he has plenty of it This is no chestnut

That another daily paper in this city is hinted at, and as a consequence, the fools are not all dead yet

That the county commissioners feared a law suit and the wrath of Crawford, and lots of them say so

That a Marion grocer has such a memory that he keeps his book accounts in his head, and doesn't do a cash business either

That there are some old soldiers in this city using strong language on the appointment of ex Grand Dioney to the board of pension examiners

Waldo Locals

Health not quite so good as has been

Had quite a blizzard this week

There is quite a demand for wood

There is not enough snow for hunters

The Band boys cleared $18 Thanksgiving night

Very little traveling is done to and from here

S [illegible] Elliott is still selling bibles in Marion

Miss Gale Straub gave her parents a visit last Saturday and Sunday

Rev Rhul catechised six at the Penn church last Saturday A good audience was present

Waldo has made preparation to have a Christmas tree Everybody come and see what we have for you

Mr Abbot has commenced his winter term of school in the Conklin district with its usual attendance

How [illegible] would the scene be if our [illegible] enforce the simple little rule those who don't work can't have anything to eat

If you want a glimpse of the West and all its peculiarities just listen to C D Jones, who [illegible]

[illegible] Christy Watts sign board [illegible] piece of work You [illegible] Wyatt man sign

[illegible] is [illegible] move to Waldo, [illegible] machine [illegible] ness [illegible] [illegible] want to see something [illegible] just [illegible]

In [illegible] still [illegible] to [illegible] Stine and have [illegible] lives [illegible] mess

Grant Kling [illegible] W D [illegible] lots [illegible] John [illegible] smith [illegible] does [illegible] He has [illegible] has [illegible] occup[illegible] W[illegible] D [illegible]

[illegible] at this [illegible] ally handle the [illegible] ness

LaRue

Very little to tell that is legitimate matter for the press The cold wave has put a quietus on business however [illegible] is [illegible] and also hay corn fodder etc

Marion is frozen and but one case of typhoid fever on hand and that a case of 27 days standing is reported slightly convalescent We may have colds after a while to be called catarrhal fever to give importance and make the impression that a doctor is needed

Early last summer I predicted a cold winter much more snow than we had last winter and said at times a hard winter I have not changed my opinion however Mr Zell in his sermon here lately said that those weather prophets knew nothing about what was coming and so far as I am concerned I plead guilty

Tax paying is upon us and corn is coming in to raise money It sells for 30 cents sometimes 32 seventy pounds for a bushel Wheat 72 hay $10 When taxes are paid and such as are paying 10 per cent interest get that paid their pocketbooks will be lighter

Holidays are nearing and balls and shows will boom all summed up and paid and we shall hear the cry of hard times Some will blame Cleveland's administration others the republican party but if they will take a retrospective view of the past they will find that the cause rests with themselves and if they will remove it for 1887 they will make a more successful trip through 1887 than they did through 1886

The STAR is increasing its circulation out here The book they are offering as a premium to subscribers for the Weekly STAR may account for this The book if carefully read and heeded ought to be worth more than the two dollars to a family and the paper is liked by those who take it Every family should take one or more good newspapers Children will read a newspaper if they will read anything They are worth all they cost and more too, in this direction The price of ten nips would pay a year's subscription for a good paper

Astonishing how many are named as possible candidates for the presidency in '88 I shall not be surprised to see the name of some Marion man announced as a dark horse in case Sherman and Blaine have to fall back We want a man who can carry New York and Virginia

Hiram Mills has been absent for some time I guess he has finished up his contract and will be with us for a while

My health is better for two months past than for a year previous I had some notion of spending the winter in Florida but I guess I can stand it here and save expenses

Diphtheria is starting up in places not near here however but it may get here Parents should keep their children dressed warm and if possible avoid colds and protect them from sudden atmospheric changes as much as possible

Our creamery froze up and some pipes bursted Experience will remedy such things Experience is necessary if we succeed

The Dow law is suffering from a severe attack If it possesses as a sound constitution it may stand the storm The attack has been brewing a long time and I think it will wear out the disease Dr McD[illegible] seems to be the principal physician

W B Morris starts for Toledo to appear on the jury He is a good selection

Good Eve [illegible] C

That Prospect Land Grant

Special to the Daily STAR]

PROSPECT O Dec 7—There was no new developements in the Glass land patent case yesterday A great many seem to think it is a hoax and that there is nothing in it This is from the fact that they know nothing about it

Rumors are afloat that Mr Glass is trying to enchre the people out of their money If some of the skeptical would examine the records they would find wherein they are mistaken

The STAR representative met Mr Glass and had quite a lengthy interview with him Mr G informed the STAR that he had the papers to back him in what he said He showed the STAR the original grant that had the seal of the United States on it also the deed as it was recorded at Columbus on the 15th day of Nov 1886 The whole document covers 75 pages of foolscap and is very lengthy in all details

The great trouble with our people is that they are prejudiced and stubborn Mr Glass asks no large amount for what his investigation has cost him only enough to pay him for his time in working it up and the necessary expense attending same

Something In Name

Mansfield Herald Col Boone struck a bonanza when he discovered or invented the title Black Diamond There is something in a name The [illegible] name Nickel Plate was worth many a dollar to the speculators who schemed to take gold out of the pockets of the Vanderbilts The public was lead to believe that the Nickel Plate was a superior road whereas the bed being new the road was not near as solid and smooth as the Lake Shore In fact [illegible] there is but one train out of Chicago on the line daily whereas the [illegible] spit [illegible] trains [illegible] West and two via Columbus and the Lake Shore proper [illegible] Col Boone said he [illegible] hunted a long time for [illegible] name for his [illegible] plated system and suddenly the words Black Diamond passed through his mind Trade mark titles for railways are not uncommon There is the Pan Handle the Queen and Crescent the Burlington Route and [illegible] the common parlance title [illegible] ment or connection with the [illegible] corporation

The Chicken Thieves

Marshal [illegible] filed his affidavit con[illegible] Probate Judge [illegible] out of his hands [illegible] now rests with the Probate Judge

He estimates that there [illegible] last two weeks not less than [illegible] stolen [illegible] es the stolen property was disposed of, he has [illegible] sion

The little [illegible] ber of chicken [illegible] names of the parties implicated [illegible] action is taken by the proper authorities

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Chicago and Atlantic Time Card.

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Tonic Alterative and Cathartic.

Simmons Liver Regulator cures malaria biliousness dyspepsia, headache, constipation and piles It is most effective in stirring the secretions of the liver causing the bile to act as a purge When there is an excess of bile in the stomach the Regulator is an active purge [illegible] of the bile it will regulate the bowels and impart vigor and health to the whole system.

Yes, They Have

Lots of that nice Massillon coal at Prendergasts.

PERSONS OF PROMINENCE.

The Stewart bequest to Lieut (N Clinch makes him the richest officer in the army.

Miss Winnie Davis is being received with great courtesy in Syracuse (N Y) society

Henry Ward Beecher says that France supplies London most of its eggs and tomatoes

Charles Dudley Warner says there is a growing love for literature and science in the south.

Joaquin Miller has shaved his beard and cut off his curls. He is now on a trip to California.

Senator Palmer, who has gone to Europe with his invalid wife, will leave her at Nice for the winter and hurry back for the opening of congress.

Theodore Roosevelt, who has gone abroad to be married, is very popular in London, and it is said that it is because he doesn t imitate the English. Stick a pin there

President Arthur used often to go out walking in Washington, and before doing so invariably put a lot of silver coins in a handy pocket to give to beggars, organ grinders, newsboys, etc

The common council of the city of London is talking of offering the "freedom of the city" to Henry M. Stanley, the African explorer, because of his services to humanity and civilization

Henry George is going to Boston to assist George C McNeill, a Knight of Labor, in a campaign for the mayoralty of the "Hub," to be run as George's was. McNeill wants 7 000 names, and has 5,000 already

Ex Governor C K. Davis, prominently mentioned for United States senator from Minnesota before the next legislature, has lost the sight of his left eye, and it is feared that total blindness may ensue

There seems to be a great difference of opinion as to whether Mr Gladstone is worth any money or not Some say he has barely enough to live on, while others maintain that he has an *income of $70,000 a year*

The health of the czar is far from satisfactory He suffers from sleeplessness and congestion of the brain, chiefly brought on by *lack of exercise.* Congestion of the brain is a family complaint of the Romanoffs.

It is cabled to this country from London that a marriage has been "arranged" between *Home Secretary* Henry Mathews and the Viscountess Maidstone. Their names recall many society scandals of the past

Hon. Bernard C Molloy, member of parliament *for* Kings county, Ireland, called upon President Cleveland the other day He was surprised at the utter absence of guards at the White House that he quite lost his self possession and continued ill at ease during the greater part of his chat with the chief magistrate

Cardinal Manning, who is now verging on 80, says he finds it necessary to relax some of his former vigor For many years he was accustomed to rise at 5 o'clock a m , and he did not retire until nearly midnight He eats a few crackers and swallows a cup of coffee daily, and occupies *the rest of* his time in work Justin McCarthy compares his personnel with the pictures we see in mediæval cathedrals.

Irving Bishop, the mind reader, has been mystifying the prominent men of Boston The other day he had an object hidden three miles from him, and then blindfolded, drove to the place of concealment and found the article, a scarf pin Dr Oliver Wendell Holmes, W B Aldrich and Col Higginson were of the party, every member of which is too well known to admit of the possibility of collusion

Thomas Worth, the well-known caricaturist, was cashier of a New York city bank in 1867 when he was victimized to the extent of $30,000 by John Livingstone on a check on which was forged Commodore Vanderbilt's name. Worth sketched Livingstone, who was very fat so well that detectives recognized him, captured him west, and sent him to prison Livingstone died the other day Worth took to newspaper illustrating and has been at it since

Gen Logan recently related an amusing experience of his at the Capitol He was passing through the rotunda one day when a guide who had just begun operations in the Capitol tried to sell the general a guide book The idea of being taken for a stranger at the Capitol pleased him and he amused himself for several moments by looking with apparent interest at pictures in the guide book A friend of the new guide seeing him at work, edged up towards them to listen to [illegible] was being said In a moment he caught the spirit of the conversation, and, catching his guide friend by the coat he said, Come off Don't be a fool That old Indian was around this Capitol long before you were born

GREAT MEN OF OTHER DAYS

"My other works, said Dr Samuel Johnson, are wine and water but my Rambler is pure wine '

Lord Byron once angrily returned a box of pills to an apothecary because the packet was directed to Mr Byron

It is recorded that ice cream was served in Washington as early as 1790 and on President Washington s table too

One of Napoleon s marshals handed to the emperor a book from an upper shelf with the remark "I am higher than you sire ' "Longer, not higher, responded Napoleon

Once, when the people of Amsterdam were gathered together on a balcony looking at the Misses Hornecks, Goldsmith was heard to say peevishly ' There are places where *I* am most admired

On one occasion when Daniel Webster was in court he was reminded that he was assailing a dictum of Lord Camden s But said he, turning to the judge May it please your honor I differ from Lord Camden

At Plombieres Napoleon the Little said to Count Cavour ' Do you know there are but three men in all Europe? One is myself the second is you and the third is one whose name (Bismarck *no doubt*) *I will not mention*

Caleb Cushing never turned away a newspaper reporter who came as an interviewer, but he always guarded against being misreported by asking the *journalist to write* [illegible] questions down one after the other [illegible] answers were deliberately dictated by Mr Cushing and carefully read over before the reporter took his leave

Thomas Jefferson [illegible] observed (of persons interested in the study of legislation and the like)— They will find that the leading and most important laws of that day were prepared by myself and carried chiefly by my efforts supported indeed by able and faithful coadjutors * * * very effective as seconds, but who would not have taken the field as leaders.

How to Cook

"I see you fry your beefsteak [illegible] remarked the tramp with his mouth full

"Yes," said the woman sh[illegible] how would you have it cooked roasted?

"No, certainly not Broiled madame broiled I may be a tramp [illegible] plaintively, but I'm no ostrich —*Life*

DURING WAR TIMES.

HOW THE SOUTHERN PEOPLE MANAGED VARIOUS DOMESTIC AFFAIRS

Bothered About Threshing Wheat—A Woman's Way—Primitive Mills for Crushing Sugar Cane—Making 'Brown Sugar—Home Made Head Wear—Fans

All plant[illegible] were required by the Confederate government a tax or tithe of one tenth of all the grain or provisions that was grown *in the south each town* or city having its granary where was carried the tenth of grain, bacon rice syrup and so on to be used for the support of our army In southern Alabama the cultivating of the cereals was a rare thing before the war I think the same will apply to most of the interior southern states But the planters began in earnest to grow corn *wheat oats rye* and peas All moist places that had hitherto been thought fit for naught were put into rice and sugar cane patches, and were found to yield plentifully Many farmers were surprised at the great yield of wheat I remember hearing one man who lived in Troy Alabama tell of highly fertilizing one acre of common pine upland as a trial The result was seventy five bushels of wheat Another planter near Glennville, Alabama cut fifty bushels of wheat from one acre he had enriched

Of course there was some bother about threshing the wheat While some could "thrash and fan at their gin houses, there were those who would bide the time for the traveling thresher to come around Others whose sowing and reaping was on a small scale would maul the wheat out with flails of their own make *One day we went to see the threshing arrangement* one woman wh[illegible] husband and sons were in the army had devised We found the room carpeted with sheets and tapestried with coverlets and the woman seated in a chair with a common sized barrel before her A sheaf of wheat was in her hands and she was pounding the grains of wheat out over the *barrel She would in this primitive* way flail as much as two or three bushels and then spread the sheets on the ground in the open air, the wheat being poured on in a continuous stream The wind acted as the great fan and carried the chaff lightly away The wheat being ground at some flouring mill would last her quite a while When used up the same rude *flailing would be resorted to.*

Hundreds during the war threshed in the same primitive manner

Mills had also to be erected for crushing the juice from the sugar cane Wooden cylinders were almost universally used, as those of iron were scarcely obtainable during the war While wooden cylinders were not satisfactory as all the juice of the cane could not be thoroughly pressed from the crushed cane the farmers cheered themselves with the idea that there was no great loss as the swine *could draw from it the leavings* The furnaces for syrup and sugar boiling were raised of rocks if bricks were not convenient, though many small brickyards were put in operation during the four years of the war Long wooden troughs, hollowed from trees were also indispensable for pouring the syrup from the boilers to cool The syrup was thick and clear *The sugar was unavoidably* brown as there was no means in the great stress of the times of clarifying it I have seen the planters [illegible] smooth oak split [illegible] thin from the top to the bottom of the barrel filled with the home made sugar to aid the dripping and to better free the sugar from moisture There was a pleasing and gratified delight among the planters when they had been successful in making their sugar very light and dry and it not unfrequently happened that [illegible] a neighbor calling the first thing after the conventional greeting would be to bring forth a small package of his make of sugar wrapped in brown paper Another industry of the south that the exigency of the times called up was that of pottery which if not food and clothing was quite serviceable Of course the earthenware then produced was coarse and brown the enamel with which it was glazed would [illegible] a smile of disdain perhaps from the [illegible] cient Etruscans but ours was a time of necessity, and there were events of more moment to occupy the [illegible] worry over the rough glazed earthenware There being no way of getting hats or bonnets and those we had at the beginning of the war becoming too much *worn for further renovation,* other expedients for the head wear had to be devised, and it was surprising the variety of material that could be used for hats caps and bonnets

There was palmetto wheat and [illegible] straw and corn husk Even the [illegible] leaved pines when neatly braided were not to be scorned We soon became quite skilled in the [illegible] of palmetto and straw braiding [illegible] making hats was also [illegible] baskets fans and mats Hats and caps were made of cloth The [illegible] squash known by some as the [illegible] dishrag was grown by one for making bonnets and hats They were [illegible] beautiful appearing [illegible] gossamer There were those who [illegible] make the frame of the bonnet [illegible] cover with the down and small white feathers of the goose Larger feathers were used for the trimming [illegible] were by no means rustic looking We also gleaned a knowledge of the [illegible] wickerwork and [illegible] of tiny shapes and sizes went forth of our [illegible] A neighbor out of the [illegible] wove the body for her [illegible] We soon learned to make fans [illegible] feathers of the goose When the [illegible] were mature we would pluck them very careful in plucking [illegible] feathers one by one as they were [illegible] out All the right wing [illegible] placed on one string and the left [illegible] feathers on another [illegible] we arranged the feathers [illegible] fan each feather [illegible] proper place and would [illegible] curve We soon became quite [illegible] the art of making fans [illegible] home use we made [illegible] of [illegible] at [illegible] mother of the [illegible] of the peafowl The handle [illegible] with a piece of dark [illegible] On either side where [illegible] handle and feathers [illegible] made of the small [illegible] gated feathers that adorn the neck and breast of the peafowl —Mrs P A H[illegible] in Philadelphia Times

Deepening the Seine

The work of deepening the Seine to a depth of three meters (10 feet) has been finished The river can now be navigated by vessels of about 1 000 tons burden when they are fitted with [illegible] able masts and chimneys for the bridges — Chicago Tribune

SITTIN' FOR HIS BUST

Col Pat Gilmore Tells of His Experience in a Phrenological Establishment

[illegible] the [illegible] I [illegible] plaster of [illegible] compound [illegible]

After [illegible] an hour [illegible] covered white sheets [illegible] neck and shoulders [illegible] the plaster [illegible] Pieces of paper were stuffed [illegible] and ears and I was [illegible] shut my eyes No sooner had I done [illegible] than *my persecutors commenced* [illegible] the liquid [illegible] my head One [illegible] while the other pressed the [illegible] hardening [illegible] of every [illegible] much [illegible] my head [illegible] the heat was [illegible] I could not move my [illegible] fearful [illegible] *treated to* [illegible] my eyes [illegible] for [illegible] pump [illegible] to feel the first symptoms [illegible] I could not call out and [illegible] to be dying [illegible] apprentices [illegible] not used the [illegible] properly and when they mercifully decided to release [illegible] found the cast would not come [illegible] usually does In a successful *operation* the two halves are joined together after removal and a perfect reproduction of the face and head easily [illegible] But in my case both dividing board and [illegible] had been overlooked, and the only [illegible] was to smash the [illegible] Mallet and chisel were used, [illegible] like concussion of the [illegible] Finally my face was freed and I [illegible] able to breathe and make a few remarks to the boys on their carelessness Then it [illegible] that they had omitted [illegible] behind my ears and the plaster [illegible] To remove the former the latter had to be torn away, and when at last I got away I was a mass of blood and sores After two weeks medical attention I got about right but *the memory is fresh* still I don t know whether the boys were wholly or only partially idiotic but when I sit for my bust again I ll borrow some one else's head for the occasion —Globe Democrat Interview

Bull Baiting in England

Bull baiting was a most popular sport at *wakes in North Shropshire* Many septuagenarian laborers may yet be met with who have witnessed a bull bait in their youth One such man, James Gue of Myddle described (in 1878) a bull baiting at Loppington at which he had been present when a boy as the most barbarous act I ever saw It was a young bull and had very little notion of tossing the dogs *which tore his ears* and the skin off his face in shreds and his mournful cries were awful I was up in a tree, and was afraid the earth would open and swallow us all up Oaken gates in the collieries which enjoyed the reputation of possessing the most [illegible] attend [illegible] in the country held on the green in the beginning of October can boast also the unenviable *distinction* of having been (it is believed) the scene of the last bull baiting in Shropshire which took place in the year 1833 Many say [illegible] bull baitings it is related took place at Medley wakes, which were latterly celebrated chiefly at Ironbridge the busy little town in the parish of Medley The bull was baited three times on each of the three days Monday Tuesday and Wednesday first at the house [illegible] Lincoln Hill then in front of the Tontine inn at Ironbridge and thirdly at Medley Wood green So says [illegible] old man of 71 whose father and elder brothers were the ringleaders of the sports

The last bull baiting held at Medley was put a stop to by a body of constables headed by a magistrate Mr Anstice of Medley Wood who was accompanied and instigated by Mr Mott[illegible] the vicar of the parish *Their names* deserve to be recorded for it was an act of great bravery to face the excited mob of colliers and bargemen who though they fought each other every market day were ready to make common cause against the disturbers of their cruel sport The person who was the moving spirit was a little deformed man and such is the [illegible] chivalry of Englishmen that it was attributed to this that the crowd did not attack the authorities —Shropshire Folk Lore

Cremation in Germany

There has just been held at Gotha a diet of delegates from the various cremation societies in Germany as well as of several other countries including *Italy* Switzerland Holland and America the last being represented by Mr Stover [illegible] of Boston who is at present lecturing in Germany on the disposal of the dead by fire The diet discussed and approved the [illegible] of a general association of societies for funeral reform and [illegible] and this association was joined by the local societies of Berlin Potsdam Frankfort Darmstadt [illegible] Chemnitz Heidelberg Dresden Leipsic Hamburg etc These societies have already their journalistic organs in the shape of two magazines called Gesundheit and News [illegible] (Health and New [illegible]) so it will be seen that the cremation [illegible] is making progress in Germany The delegates inspected the crematory at work in the churchyard at Gotha and they were [illegible] by the burgomaster that the [illegible] to the [illegible] had been [illegible] the sight of the decorous and [illegible] manner in which bodies are reduced to dust by a rapid process of fire and [illegible] —Cor Chicago Times

A Good Night's Rest

[illegible] on the limited cattle train all day [illegible] and the tramp [illegible] of voice and my feet are very tired Would you mind [illegible] in the cow pis[illegible]

Certainly not [illegible] the woman [illegible] and I ll tell [illegible] to put up the [illegible] so you won't catch [illegible] —New York Sun

Did any careful scientist ever compute [illegible] of revolutions a particular [illegible] can make at times [illegible] when very busy? —New York Graphic

AN UNDERTONE

A sy[illegible] f[illegible] w that drips
Fr[illegible] lips
C[illegible] than the word
[illegible]
[illegible] there
[illegible] soft [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Of [illegible]
[illegible] behind
James Whitcomb Riley

Floating Islands of West Africa

Down the broad sluggish Old Calabar river came slowly to meet us a long procession of floating islands (some of which were of considerable size) formed of wild grass and earth torn from the soft bank by the current These curious waifs are *quite a common feature in the Lower* [illegible] and have occasionally been met [illegible] at [illegible] the Portuguese [illegible] This marvel was [illegible] by another and a [illegible] the [illegible] of the roots and [illegible] along the water's edge with large sized oysters This certainly sounds like an extract from the *memoirs of Baron Munchausen but in* reality the phenomenon is very easily explained Here as in many islands of the Pacific the oysters attach themselves at high tide to the submerged boughs and roots and when the ebb leaves them bare they certainly have all the appearance of actually growing upon the trees In fact it is a favorite joke with the old residents to persuade a *"greenhorn" that the stand* and local dainty is a dish of tree oysters freshly gathered from the bough

After these moving islets appeared one of a more stationary kind one bristling mass of gloomy mangroves down to the very edge This was the famous Parrot Island inhabited by the glorified spirits of popular speakers agitators and accomplished schoolgirls, under the appropriate form of gray parrots in which capacity they are almost as talkative and quite as intellectual as they were in their original shape Just at this point a drizzling rain begins to fall, and through the cold leaden dimness which [illegible] around us the dreary panorama looks tenfold more weird and ghastly than before —Duke Town Cor New York Times

Chinese Idea of the Typhoon

A little school boy while on his way to school one day picked up what seemed to him a small white pebble He put it into his pocket It proved to be a snake egg and in time through the heat of his pocket it hatched out a young reptile The boy fell in love with it and carried it from day to day to school with him, and fed it with a part of his own lunch until it became too big to be carried when he made a nest for it at his home But one day it suddenly grew to an enormous size and upon the boy s arrival home he was frightened to death When the monster saw what he had done he was sorely afflicted and refused to be fed but immediately put on mourning by turning his color from brown into pure black He crawled beside the grave of his departed friend and lay there for seven days and nights

At the completion of the seventh night he came back to his late home, but the boy s old mother was so enraged at him for killing her only son that she picked up an ax and choppepd his tail off With a tearful scream and a lash of his bleeding tail he felled the house and made his way to the Moo Soon San mountains where he never shows himself except once a year, just about the *time when he lost his tail, to come out* and make trouble for the people by creating storms called the "Tyfoon " This he does to square himself for losing his valuable tail — Wong Chin Foo in New York Sun

How People Meet Death

The manner in which people meet death has always been a matter of deep interest to the living and historical records abound with descriptions of the last moments of human lives, great and small It is a thing about which every one is curious The death not long ago of a woman who had suffered long from painful disease was a striking exhibition of calmness and thoughtfulness It was in an early hour of the morning and the gas was burning in her chamber Apparently arousing from slumber, she said to her sister It is dark light the gas " She was told that it was already burning

Then light the other jet " was the response This was done but she could not see The film of death rested on her eyes She realized the truth and said I am going over the ferry—lay me out with a few fresh flowers Good by A brief pause and the word 'd y i n g ' was deliberately spelled, and then a brave spirit went to join the great majority — Chicago Tribune

Ungrammatical Language

I do not lay claim to the grammar championship or anything like it but I dread to meet the man who having had the advantages of the public school or college in his youth insists upon violating the simplest rules of correct speaking on the least provocation I heard him make a speech at a ward meeting the other evening Hardly a sentence of his harangue was grammatical He said he don't for he doesn t a dozen times in ten minutes and he declared ' that s him' for ' that s he in ten successive sentences I allude to these two lapses as samples merely of the oratory of a man who is reputed to be an educated member of his profession He ought to go to night school the coming winter and be taught good grammar There are many other men just like him —Cor Chicago Journal

How to Open Oysters

Talk of opening oysters said Old Hurricane why nothing is easier if you only know how And how s how inquired Starlight Scotch snuff answered Old Hurricane very sententiously Scotch snuff my boy Bring a little of it ever so near their noses and they ll sneeze their lids off I know a genius observed Master Karl who has a better plan than that He spreads the oysters in a circle seats himself in the center and begins spinning a yarn Sometimes it's an adventure in Mexico sometimes a legend of his loves sometimes a marvelous stock operation in Wall street As he proceeds the [illegible] get interested one by one they gape with astonishment at the tremendous and [illegible] whoppers which are poured forth The [illegible] as they open their mouths my friend whips em out peppers em and swallows em [illegible] and Starlight with a long sigh I wish we had a bushel of em here now—they d open easy —The Argonaut

Belva Lockwood s Capital Letters

Belva A Lockwood makes better capitals than any other woman in America She uses green wax and seals with a thimble

BILL NYE

On the Value of Documentary Proof of Self Defense

Probably no legal phrase in common use is so little understood and through this ignorance so fruitful of the long tedious and expensive litigation which it is said to be the object of law to prevent, as the two harmless looking words self defense In law the term embraces and describes all the rights conferred upon the individual to protect by his own acts and agencies his property or his person against some injury unlawfully attempted to be inflicted by another This definition should be committed to memory by every schoolboy in the land He will then have laid the foundation for a knowledge of the law of self defense which may be of great value to him in after life

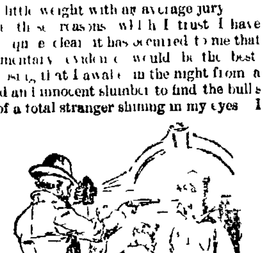
But the chief difficulty in setting up and *proving self defense in a court is twofold*

First—We must be thoroughly convinced that a great injury to person or property is contemplated

Second—We must be able to establish by proof that such injury to person or property was so contemplated by the assailant at the time of the self defense alleged

In other words the identity of the assailant *and his sincere desire to do us great injury,* either to person or property must be proved beyond the possibility of a reasonable doubt in the minds of the highly intelligent jury This is not so easy as at first appears We must establish by some proof that is free from bias or prejudice that the defendant was just in the act of imbruing his hands in our gore or about to commit a felony when we smote him as set up in our *defense Therefore the* testimony of members of the family would have little weight with an average jury

For these reasons which I trust I have made quite clear it has occurred to me that documentary evidence would be the best Supposing that I awake in the night from a sound and innocent slumber to find the bull s eye of a total stranger shining in my eyes I



The bull s eye of a total stranger

see that he is ransacking the pockets of my pantaloons I start suddenly as a wave of horror passes the entire length of the spinal column The frenzied start squeaks the costly framework of the richly carved couch on which I recline In an instant the gentleman whips out a small gun tells me to move at my peril and with his pockets full of stuff *that* I have toiled hard for years to accomplish he slowly egresses I realize that my wife would not be a competent witness on my behalf and I have failed to provide other witnesses in my apartments. You know a man cannot think of everything In fact thousands of men retire every night with absolutely no one as witness or to protect them but their wives, forgetting that as a protector a wife is almost worthless, and as a witness he is even more so

So I have written out and had printed a large number of blanks, on which appear the following questions with spaces for answers You will [illegible] the lead hours of night to find a party in the room engaged in the felony in [illegible] You ask him to be seated and taking from your writing desk the blank alluded to you propound the following conundrums to him filling in the answers as he gives them

1 What is your name?
Where do you reside?
What is your age
4 Your weight
[illegible] you married or single and if so, would your family be left destitute in case I should shoot you in self defense?
[illegible] Do you die easy or do you generally cling to life
[illegible] Are you a natural born citizen of the United States or are you an alien?
If an alien please state whether it is a family [illegible]
[illegible] Do you use tobacco
10 Please state what disposition you would [illegible] have made of your remains in case you should be shot in self defense
11 Do you drink
12 If so why will you persist in so doing?
13 What do you generally take?
(intermission)

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14 Do you contemplate the commission of a felony?
[illegible] If so state what is your favorite style [illegible] and your reasons for dabbling in [illegible]
[illegible] Is this the first time you have ever [illegible] part in a justifiable homicide?
If not please state fully where, when [illegible] and under what circumstances you took such a part and whether or not you at that time [illegible] the offensive or defensive
18 Do you smoke cigarettes?
[illegible] Please breathe hard on the breast [illegible] not necessarily for publication but for future analysis
20 Have you ever been insane?
[illegible] Are you insane now?
[illegible] Do you ever have microbes on your brain
[illegible] Is it so do you think that they tend [illegible] the brain tissue, or do you think that they improve it in your case?
[illegible] Have you any other clothes that you [illegible] to be laid out in aside from [illegible] now [illegible]
[illegible] When did you first begin to toil up toward the pinnacle of felony?
[illegible] What amount of money would you be willing [illegible] in order to forego and, as it were [illegible] this particular felony?
[illegible] mining stock or ninety-day [illegible] deal?
[illegible] satisfactory answers are made to the above interrogations will you please [illegible] what medical college you would [illegible] yourself?
[illegible] the idea of a personal devil repulsive [illegible]
[illegible] Would you please protrude your tongue as far as possible and hold it there until a [illegible] summoned?
[illegible] Are you an offensive partisan?
(Sign here)
Signed in the presence of

[illegible] wholly disinterested [illegible] shall be unable [illegible] two witnesses to the [illegible] present ar[illegible]

[illegible] using them in [illegible] much tedious and [illegible] might be avoided [illegible] prevalent among [illegible] should these [illegible] such results, though it be in a slight degree only I shall be proud and happy —Bill Nye in Century

Water That Had Been Scandalized.

An artesian well was recently bored at Columbus Miss and the water therefrom is very cold and possesses rare chemical properties A city negro with a cup in his hand, was standing at the well a day or two ago, when a brother from the country jumped off his wagon and asked for a drink of the celebrated water

When the colored gentleman from the country had swallowed the water he smacked his lips and said

Hi that watah s good, sho s yo bo'n "

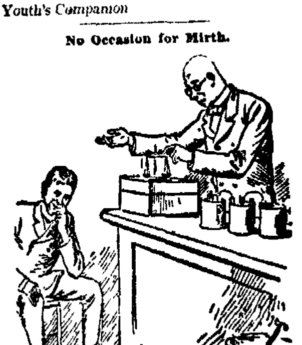
The other, with an air of great importance, replied

In course hit's good, hit's boun' ter be good fur hit comes 4 000 feet from de under pinnin' of de yearth, an' hit's been scandalized by the bes gynas from de state university an what yo think he says hit's got in hit?'

'I dunno, I'm sho "

'Well he says dere is ten grains oxhide gas, ten grains cowbonic gas, ten grains foxforus acid, an seventy grains hydrophobia in dat watah hit s boun to be good watah, sah "—*Youth's Companion*

No Occasion for Mirth.



Professor (describing the chemical balance) —You zee the poise of these insthrumendt iss so tery delicate that efen so schmall a poty as a hair vill trow id off ids palance— Vill som younk chentleman haf the gootness to gif me a hair?—Harper s Bazar

Colored Financiers.

"Abraham Johnsing ' had possessed enough thrift, that quality so seldom present in his race to purchase a small grocery in a southern town and run it on his own account

Harrison Smiler hasn t a very good reputation for paying his bills The colored grocer is quite familiar with his failings, to his sorrow

Harrison walked into the store last week and with a very courteous bow remarked:

Good day Mistah Johnsing."

Good day yer se'f '

Got any de nice bacon?"

Reckon I hab."

'How much yo' cha'ge fo' dat bacon? I' t'inkin bout buyin' bacon to-day "

Bacon hab bin goin' up fur de las' te[illegible] minutes, so dat it's wuf eighty cents a pound security required ef bought on credit."

Harrison was staggered, but after thinking a minute inquired.

"Any discount for cash?"

'Yes sah "

How much?"

' 'Bout 90 pussent

"Gimme half a poun'," sighed Harrison, as he scraped through his clothes for the necessary four cents —Merchant Traveler

How to Keep the Boys at Home

"How shall I keep my boys at home?" aske[illegible] a matron of an aged and experienced head [illegible] a family

'How old are they madam?" interrogate[illegible] the sage, before committing himself

My eldest," *she replied,* '*is* 13, and m[illegible] baby boy will be 6 years old the 30th of Se[illegible] tember

'No '

'Of course you would not like to chai[illegible] them up, would you?

'And your husband is not able to rent [illegible] circus and have it in the house the yea[illegible] round?"

"No, *he is in very moderate circumstances*

Well then, I would suggest as the mo[illegible] economical, at the same time the most effe[illegible] tive plan, to place patches on the boy[illegible] trousers, make the patches of different clo[illegible] from the rest of the garment, and place the[illegible] where they will be least seen when the bo[illegible] are seated This will keep them at hom[illegible] and may induce sedentary and studio[illegible] habits. If this fails with the youngest, tie [illegible] sunbonnet on his head—tie it tight, so he ca[illegible] get it off As long as the sunbonnet lasts [illegible] will stay at home Nothing can coax h[illegible] *into society* "—St Paul Globe.

Queer Wrinkles.

LOCAL PRIDE.

A Boston lady, who with her little boy [illegible] cently returned from a visit to San Francis[illegible] stopped over night at the Palmer hou[illegible] Chicago.

'Now, remember, Waldo," she said, as th[illegible] seated themselves at the dinner table, "[illegible] are not to say, 'Pork and beans,' but 'Be[illegible] and pork ' Never forget, my son, that [illegible] are a Bostonese "

A GREAT BLOWER.

Featherly was blowing his tea to cool it while Bobby regarded him with intense [illegible] terest.

"What is the matter, Robert?" said the [illegible] man. ' Don't you know that it is very im[illegible] lite to stare at a person 'n that way?"

"Huh?' responded Bobby "You said [illegible] was the biggest blower in town. He c[illegible] blow any harder'n I can "—New York S[illegible]

EVERYTHING READY FOR HIM.

Fashionable Mother (to fashionable da[illegible] ter)—Are you going out, dear?

Fashionable Daughter—Yes, mamma.

Fashionable Mother—And if the hairdre[illegible] should come while you are out?

Fashionable Daughter—Oh, I have left *instructions with Jane.*—New York Sun.

A Familiar Odor.

A woman was trading in a store on M[illegible] gan avenue the other day when the pro[illegible] tor began sniffing and snuffing the air and [illegible] citedly inquired "Don't you smell smo[illegible] "Yes " 'Lands save us! but I m afraid [illegible] store is on fire and I m not insured [illegible] smells like pine wood Laws but you don t know nothing said the woman, a[illegible] calmly sat down That s the smell of [illegible] burning in a kettle [illegible] in one of [illegible] houses The *woman has* [illegible] the water [illegible] out. Pine wood Humph How mu[illegible] yard for that factory —Detroit Free [illegible]

A Great Man

'Does your wife ever [illegible] ment? asked Frederick [illegible] Bendertly

"Never replied Benderly

'Well mine does She flatters me

'Often

Oh yes frequently [illegible] ter ' replied Frederick

Why does she flatter you [illegible] winter?"

'Whenever the coal [illegible] needs replenishing she points to the fireplace and says Fred [illegible] the grate ' Texas Siftings

WARNER & EDWARDS.

DRESS SILKS!

Special attention is called to four qualities of Black Gros Grain Silk, at 90c, $1, $1 12, $1 50 The time is passed [illegible] a big price for a Silk Dress We have rich, heavy, elegant Silks for a little money We guarantee the quality, [illegible] them to [illegible] at the same price Heavy, durable Rhadames at $1 Surah Silks, Surah Satins Fine Black [illegible] Goods [illegible] and low priced

Warner & Edwards.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS!

Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs Silk Mufflers, Cashmere Mufflers, Chinele Toilet Sets, Antique Tidies, Silk Umbrellas, Smyrna Rugs, Moquet Rugs, Hassocks, Gloves, Mittens, Bronze Vases, Handkerchief Boxes, Plush Mirrors, Brass Trays, Brass Smoking Sets, Plush Hand Bags Alligator Hand Bags DESIRABLF NOVELTIES IN DRESS GOODS

Warner & Edwards.

LOCAL NEWS.

[illegible] fine Christmas [illegible]

A little girl of John C[illegible] is [illegible] sick [illegible] catarrhal influenza

[illegible] Thursday on business

Master Howard St[illegible] has [illegible] but it is better at this writing

A little girl of [illegible] is sick [illegible]

[illegible] visiting friends [illegible]

Everything [illegible] Christmas presents at the [illegible]

[illegible] Pupils of Akron [illegible] in the [illegible] visiting friends [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] is quite ba[illegible] away of a horse he was driving [illegible] Wednesday

[illegible]

[illegible] considerably improved [illegible] illness [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] the Zanesville [illegible] Mt Vernon [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] sprinkler [illegible]

[illegible] Herman was selected [illegible] of Marion Lodge of [illegible] next Sunday [illegible] for New York

[illegible] on the N Y [illegible] hours late Thursday [illegible] has been about [illegible] month owing to [illegible]

[illegible] Marion Art Club [illegible] reception and High [illegible] at City [illegible] Wednesday evening Dec [illegible] from 3 until 10 p m

[illegible] house is kept clean enough but the [illegible] almost horrible [illegible] in various places [illegible] and we give [illegible] Malloy a pointer

[illegible] commissioner will [illegible] in Mr In[illegible] place [illegible]

[illegible]

The Delaware [illegible] has been sold [illegible] Delaware [illegible]

[illegible] Pros[illegible]

[illegible] citizens of [illegible] two [illegible]

[illegible]

One of our young men [illegible]

[illegible]

—Nathan Mezger was at Mt Gilead Thursday attending to business

—J C Johnston was at Prospect Thursday on a professional trip

William P Welch and Elizabeth McNabb were licensed to marry

Elegant fire screens may be had at the Reception given by Marion Art Club

Wallace Smith is quite low with lung trouble at the home of his father on north East street

Dixs pond has been for several days past the resort of all the young men and ladies in the city

—Mrs I J Osborne left Wednesday for Mt Clemmens Mich where she will spend three weeks visiting

Miss Kate Sells, *of Prospect* is in the city visiting friends the guest of the Misses Roberts on south East street

Mrs Anna Eggleston of Findlay is visiting in the city the guest of her sister Mrs Joe Matthews on south Main street

Mayor Gailey and Cory Pettit were celebrating their birthday anniversaries Thursday The former is forty one and the latter thirty six

—The weather has been a surprise *Dusty and smooth roads in December* and bright sunshine and a pleasant temperature at this time makes December as pleasant as May

We understand that the Marion and Huber gun clubs will contest each other Christmas for the championship of Marion county and a purse The amount we are not at liberty to state

—The installation of officers of the Masonic Lodge at Prospect will be made *upon Dec 27th The installation will* take place in the Opera House of the village and supper will be served to those who desire it The price of admission *including supper will be 25 cents*

How long will we wait thus? is asked by almost every person who attends the entertainments at Music Hall When the orchestra endeavors to beguile a few moments away the agony of the people is intense and if the orchestra is vested solely in a pianist who thumps lightly when the curtain rises the suspense of the people exceeds all bounds

—It is said that a certain prominent *young man is dieting himself owing principally* to the fact that he is growing so corpulent The boys about town are so [illegible] that they continually remind *him of this fact which has made him* subsist on oatmeal [illegible] and crackers and [illegible] He has informed several of the [illegible] that his weight has been reduced to one hundred and eighty pounds

—The Art Club will hold their annual fair at City Hall next Wednesday It promises to be very elegant as well as a most instructive affair The admirers of art will find exhibited specimens of workmanship which more skillful masters would only be too pleased to acknowledge as their own The object for which the fair will be given is a most worthy one and should receive the support of all lovers of art

—There was a moderate sized audience to see the rendition of the Octoroon at Music Hall Thursday Mr Chanfrau was suffering from a severe cold and the accompanying hoarseness and he was unable to assume the character of Samuel Scudder Mr R C Vartin made an excellent substitute and played the character very acceptably The audience was generally well pleased with the entertainment

—At the regular meeting of Camby Lodge K of P held last Friday night the following officers were elected for the ensuing year C C Dr C I Wyant V C, F Isaleib Prelate M Waddle M of E George Schiele M of F Clay Welsh K of R and S Henry Snyder M at A John Snyder Alternate Representative W C Cunningham Trustees S A Court, W C Rapp S Oppenheimer S A Court received the unanimous vote of the lodge for Grand Chancellor Commander of the State

—Caledonia Argus Our friend Jerome Ault writes from Clyde Cross Roads, describing a wild ride on horseback through Marion Wyandot Seneca and Hancock counties in search of Andrew Ault, and his relief on receiving a telegram informing him that the lost man had returned to his home He concludes After I returned, on the 1st of December I had a conversation with Ault and he says that after leaving the car out at the side track his head was in a whirl and he could not tell where he was going but kept wandering through the country until he got to Old Fort in Seneca county The implication is that Ault has been suffering from aberration *of mind which is not improbable*

A Pointer.

An ordinance against stone throwing will be passed by the council at their next regular meeting and rigidly enforced Recently two youngsters became engaged in a dispute over the ownership of a small tick Of course as is natural in such cases words did not serve to promote a happy solution of the problem They came to blows when one ran away The other picked up a large stone which at one end was very pointed He threw it and unfortunately he struck his opponent just above the eye making a horrible gash

The injured boy suffered intense pain, but was properly cared for This might result fatally for the young fellow as the attending physicians are afraid of brain fever Let the council pass an ordinance against the throwing of all forms of missles on the street

Kindling Cheap

Large load for $1 25 at Prendergasts'.

RAILROAD NEWS

Wednesday night there were three extra 13 s on the C and A

The Fire express east and west, is doing an enormous business at present

The auditor of the Hocking Valley was in the city Wednesday checking up Marion Station

H K White, traveling freight agent of the C and A is slowly recovering from his two months illness

Conductor Dell, of the C and A, was brought home Thursday morning very ill He is reported some better this evening

Mr Day is now a regular conductor on the C and A and has been given a regular car Mr Day is a worthy gentleman and well liked

A S Crane, general freight agent of the C and A, is on a tour of inspection on the entire line of the C and A Mr Crane will be here in a few days

The American Express company has turned over the express business on the Grand Rapids and Indiana between Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids to the United States Express company

Ed Baker came in on a freight train from Chicago Wednesday night and was immediately detailed to go back on engine 53 This shows the enormous freight business now being done by the C and A road

Columbus Dispatch A special telegram to the Dispatch, from Athens this morning says The jury in the case of Mrs Mary C Carpenter against the C H V and T railway for $10 000 damages alleged to have been sustained by an accident rendered a verdict giving the plaintiff $3500

Vice President Burke of the Bee Line, is winning an enviable reputation as a railroad manager by his sturdy adherence to The excellent financial condition of the Bee established rates and wise management. Line, as shown by recent reports is a monument of Judge Burke s ability

Opinion seems to be greatly diversified as to the probable successor of Mr Abbott, lately connected with the Erie It is rumored that Mr Henry Monnett, of the West Shore road and who has been general passenger agent of the same for some time will fill the position made vacant by Mr Abbott.

W H *Black* private secretary to General Manager Broughton, of the C and A has been compelled to return home owing to a sudden attack of malarial fever Mr Broughton kindly furnished Mr Black his private car to convey him to his home D A Edgar will temporarily fill the position made vacant by Mr Black

AN ACCIDENT

Wm Gregory, a switchman at the C and A was poling cars Wednesday afternoon in the west end of the yards

As the engine was moving a car Mr Gregory took the pole from the car and unexpectedly let go the end which he was *holding, which fell to the ground* and was immediately driven into the ground and cinders by the moving ennine Before Mr Gregory was aware of it, one end of the *pole flew up* and struck *him on the head*, knocking him unconscious The blood streamed copiously from his mouth and ears and it was feared that the blow had been fatal

Drs Rhu and Sweney were summoned, and he was conveyed to his home He was reported quite low at last accounts

Agosta

The I O O F instituted a lodge atthis place on the 7th inst There were representatives from all the neighboring lodges in the county Some 250 three link fellows met in the G A R hall and dedicated their order In the eveneng at six o clock, they *met at* Dr Marshall s *new business room* and had an oyster supper then repaired to their room to do their work taking in eight new members, after which, at twelve *o'clock refreshments were again served* All seemed to enjoy themselves Success to the new order We saw many familiar faces that we had not seen for years among them was Mr Chapman and John Cheny of Essex

Jacob Berger is very sick with Bright disease with no hopes of recovery

Rev Campbell and wife are reported rapidly recovering Mr Campbell s father and mother are still with them but think they can soon return to their home in North Eaton

Charlie Wilson is laying a new sidewal in front of his residence

Theodore Uncapher of Marseilles is in town

William Canada of Scott Town is going to Kansas next week to locate land for him*self* He has just returned from there and reports everything lovely

The Weekly STAR is decidedly the best paper in the county so all that have the *means of knowing say*

The name of our new lodge is Agosta No 750

Several of our young men were initiated *last evening and pronounce it the grandest* thing they ever witnessed May they ever be faithful

Not much news for pencil pushers

John Donner and family are visiting friends in town

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Tonic, Alterative and Cathartic

Simmons Liver Regulator cures malaria biliousness dyspepsia headache, constipation and piles It is most effective in starting the secretions of the liver causing the bile to act as a purge When there is an excess of bile in the stomach the Regulator is an active purge after the removal of the bile it will regulate the bowels and impart vigor and health to the whole system.

"AULD LANG SYNE"

An Unearthed Document Give Some Interesting Information Concerning Marion County in the Earlier Days

While rummaging through an old closet which had become quite worm eaten by time a certain aged attorney brought to light an old court journal which had been used in 1828

Looking through its musty leaves many a little point was found, which to the average Marionite will be news and we dare say information

It was found that Marion county had in the year 1826 control over Bucyrus now the county seat of Crawford county In one part of the journal it said And it is further ordered by the court that Robert Moore a resident of Bucyrus be granted a license for the purpose of keeping an inn in said place the price to be paid for said license being $7 This is conclusive enough for any ordinary person and shows that Bucyrus at one time was within the jurisdiction of Marion county

In another place the journal says that one E B Merriman was also authorized by the court to open a grocery in the village of Bucyrus for which he was to pay the sum of $7 Marion county at that time extended to the lake as did also Union and Wyandot The county of Crawford was not founded until about 1830 and it also ran to the lake

In conversation with an old lawyer upon the courts at that time we gleaned the following information

What were the condition of the courts at that time? Well they were nothing to compare with the present courts I can assure you

'We had one judge in those times and three naughts as we called them There were in reality four judges and in speaking of the bunch we always said the 1000 judges that is, you know one judge and three naughts—the same as a man having eleven shirts, one on his back and one in the wash The commissioners at that time made it an imperative duty for the judges to hold court from sunrise to sunset and if they failed to do this they were docked for the time wasted

Oh, yes judges and lawyers were much different then than they are now, and it s a credit to the lawyers of the old school that *they didn t rob a man after taking his case*

There was a judge in the forties I forget his name now, who ruled things with a mighty hand I remember very distinctly one instance There was a case on trial where a man had committed arson The culprit, it seems was wealthy for those days and had bribed the judge After the pleading of the lawyers the judge took the stand and commenced arguing the case He said Gentlemen of the jury this man isn t guilty, you bet It don t make any difference what the lawyers of the opposition have said concerning this case I say that he isn t guilty and when I say a thing I usually mean what I say If an unfavorable verdict is returned there will be no money in the treasury, but if a favorable verdict is returned there will be an abundance you understand Well what do you suppose the verdict was not guilty of course, and after the jury had rendered their verdict the judge lawyers witnesses and all the principal parties including the *jurors drank so deeply of old Kentucky* Rye that it was several days before any more business could be transacted

The Railroad Meeting

Notwithstanding the short notice of the meeting in the interests of the Black Diamond there was an encouraging attendance at the Hotel Marion Thursday night

Col Boone President Meigs Col Yates Contractor Brooks and Solicitor Spencer represented the road, while Messrs Hane, King Fisher Crawford and others spoke for Marion There was a free interchange of opinions and a general understanding attained, but no definite action taken Those who represented Marion suggested that too much was asked and expressed the doubt of Marion being able to raise the required donation The feeling was good on all *sides however and while nothing of a definite* nature was transacted the meeting spoke the good feeling toword the project and the interested parties understand each *other fully*

There is a backwardness on the part of local capitalists in taking hold of the donation work Many have expressed a willingness to do their share but they refuse to assume the charge of soliciting The early future will reveal something more definite

People Remark

That the boys are now wondering what they have done with their summer s wages

That the girls are all expecting but some of them will be disappointed ere Christmas with its cal[illegible] morn [illegible] rolled away

That our merchants are wide awake and alive *the goods which they display demon*strates this fact

That a number of our young men talk incessantly of the approaching New Year Possibly *a new era will be opened to them* [illegible] that time

That a certain railway employe is not doing strictly legitimate business with the young men under him

Not Inapplicable to Marion

Kenton Democratic News]

Deducting Sundays there are only 313 days in a year Can any of our readers demonstrate how one of our county commissioners can attend to his own private business who *here upon from one third to one-*half of his time and during the same year drew $1186 from the county treasury for services as commissioner? Compensation $3 a day *Hotel bills don't* [illegible]

IN MONTHLY SESSION

The Report of the Commissioners at Their Last Regular Session, Held December 6 —Some Important Business Transacted

Proceedings of the commissioners at the monthly session held Dec 6

A large number of miscellaneous bills were allowed including work done for the county in repairing bridges building ditches etc

The Green Camp & Newman Bridge Free Turn Pike road presented their annual report which was as follows

RECEIPTS	
Ballance on hand Dec 85	$ 475 98
Rec d from County Treas	433 77
Tax Collected	414 12
Total	$1333 87
EXPENDITURES	
Paid for Redemption of Bonds Nos 5 and 6	$ 500
Paid for Redemption of Coupons Due	241 50
Total	$ 741 50
Ballance on hand	$ 589 47

The report was approved by the commissioners

The road commissioners of the Garden City Free Turn Pike made their annual report which is as follows

RECEIPTS	
Ballance on hand Dec 7, 85	$ 91 83
Rec d from County Treasurer Tax Collected	597 00
Total	$ 648 8[illegible]
EXPENDITURES	
Paid F I Bil[illegible] for Services as Commissioner	$ 6 00
Paid Ezra Campbell same as above	6 00
Paid I Breen ditto	6 00
Paid for Redemption of Bonds Nos 9 and 10	400 00
Paid for Redemption of Coupons Due	78 00
Total	$ 496 00
Ballance on hand	$ 192 42

The report was approved by the commissioners

The commissioners of the old Boundary Line and Shiloh free turnpike make the following report

RECEIPTS	
Received from County Treasurer	$2 208 55
EXPENDITURES	
Overdraft Dec 7th 1885	$135 98
Paid Marion Deposit Bank	12 74
I Hughes for services as Com	6 00
J B Travis "	4 50
for Redemption of Bonds Nos 5 and 6	2 000 00
Paid for Redemption of Coupons	640 00
Total	$2 849 22
Overdrawn	$ 640 00

A petition was filed by L Reber and others for the alteration of a county road, south range 15 miles east of Marion Petition was granted and a surveyor appointed

The *Kirts and Thomas free turnpike* filed their annual report

RECEIPTS	
Balance on hand Dec 3 1885	$ 46 15
Received from County Treasurer	450 60
Total	$496 75
EXPENDITURES	
Paid M C [illegible] for Gravel for Road	$ 2 00
Paid for Redemption of Bonds Nos 5 and 6	400 00
Paid for Redemption of Coupons	90 00
Total	$492 00
Balance on hand	$ 4 75

The Marion and Guthry free turnpike statement is as follows

RECEIPTS	
Balance on hand Dec 1885	$ 452 15
Received from County Treasurer	3095 90
Total	$3 548 05
EXPENDITURES	
Paid for Redemption of Bonds Nos 15 and 1[illegible]	$2 000 00
Paid for Redemption of Coupons	72[illegible]
Total	$2 720 00
Balance on hand	$ 828 55

A Second Time

On another page of the STAR mention was made of John Gray and a companion being thrown from a buggy in which they were riding while driving into the city from the west

It should have been Hodd Riley instead of Mr Gray and through the information of our informant we made the mistake

Mr Riley [illegible] had his buggy repaired [illegible] was driving up Silver street that evening and on nearing the Hocking Valley crossing the horse became frightened and ran at full speed down the road Mr Riley was thrown from the buggy and very badly injured so much so that his life was dispaired of Wednesday night He was some better Thursday morning

The Black Diamond System

is the [illegible] trunk line road from Chicago to the [illegible] The list of roads of any length that constitute the three links [illegible] Black Diamond in the line from Chicago to the seaboard at Norfolk or Newport News are The Zanesville Mt Vernon and Marion railway (Marion to Zanesville 2[illegible] miles the Zanesville and Ohio River railway Zanesville to Parkersburgh W Va 8[illegible] miles and the Chicago Parkersburgh and Norfolk railway Parkersburgh W Va to Clifton Forge Va, 25[illegible] miles

Green Camp

The regular session of the Marion County Teachers Institute held at our place on the 4th instant was one of unusual interest

Prof J C Poland was called to the chair while the address of welcome was delivered by Principal F W Stoll, of the Green Camp schools He happily welcomed the visitors and outlined the teachers work and influence

Prof Robinson, of Agosta, responded in a happy vein

General School Work was the next topic discussed, by Prof Ranck, of Caledonia.

He was followed by Prof Carghill, *of* Agosta, in an interesting talk on Methods of Teaching the Rebellion

The first exercises of the afternoon session was Prof Robinson's *very satisfactory* explanation of Square Root and its Applications

Prof Ranck followed him with a class exercise on Primary Grammar

Perhaps the most telling talk of the day was that of Prof Crouse, of the Marion schools on Recitation

The closing exercise of the day was an able discussion of Compound Proportion by Mr Cosner of LaRue, when the Institute adjourned to meet in LaRue in six weeks.

There was a good attendance of teachers, citizens and high school pupils, and we feel confident that an abiding interest in the cause of education will be awakened in every locality where these sessions are held. Their intensely practical work will do much to increase the skill and efficiency of teachers Every teacher in the county should so arrange his affairs as to attend the next session at LaRue

The crowded condition of the High school *room has induced the school* board to remove a partition, throwing the High school room and a recitation together

An important change in commercial circles here has just been effected, by which Judge Matthews has sold his entire business to D H Porter and J B Berry, and the new firm will move their combined stocks into one room and open out a large business

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Wonderful Success.

The Great Chicago Clothing Co have met with wondeful success in closing out the mammoth stock of clothing recently siezed by a Western sheriff

Although the large sale, it not surprising when people can buy clothing at the following prices

Men s Heavy Cassimere Suits $3 75, actually worth $13.00

Men s heavy Melton Overcoats $1 95, acually werth $9 00

Men heavy Cassimere pants 95 cents, actually worth $2 75

Men s extra heavy Cassimere suits $5 00, actually worth $16 00

Men s all wool imported suits, 40 different patterns, $7 95 *actually worth $18*

Men s all wool imported corkscrew suits, $10 75, actually worth $25

Boys nice heavy Cassimere suits, 2 95, actually worth $8

Men s fine imported Corkscrew overcoats, silk faced and custom made, $9 95, actually worth $20

Men s heavy undershirts and drawers, 20 cts, actually worth 50 cts

Men s heavy rubber suspenders, 10 cts, actually worth 40 cts

Those not having purchased can still find all lines complete to select from

Don't be misled or listen to competition s petty stories about us, but come and convince yourself that we give you three dollars worth of goods for one dollar, when *you come to Marion Look for the red* cloth sign marked Chicago Clothing Co, Conrad block, north Main street

Cochranton.

Mrs Jacob Schultz is about the same. She is still bedfast

Little Clarence Davis, who was burned so badly, is all right He is a little soldier Many grown persons would have made much more fuss about half as bad an injury

Our respectable old citizen, John Patten, is suffering severely with lung trouble He is confined to his room

Miss Amanda Hoover is suffering with a fever

Wm Kennedy and Wm Huff are going on a visit to Kansas to stay is the report, *but some doubt it*

Our school under Prof John Varden is a credit to Ohio

Our band boys paid a visit to the Morral *Cornet Band and enjoyed the fine oysters* and other festivities and pleasures so kindly given them by the Morral band boys Our band hopes to reciprocate in the near future

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Winter Tours via Bee Line

The Bee Line has now on sale to all of the principal winter resorts of the South, Texas California and Mexico round trip tourist tickets at greatly reduced rates *from those in affect last season* Tours to suit your pleasure can be arranged for through any ticket agent of the C C C and I Ry, I and St L Ry or I) and U R R Tickets are good returning until June 1st 1887, and permit of many privileges not usually allowed on through tickets On certain dates each month during the winter season special excursion tickets to San Francisco and Los Angeles, Cal will be sold at but a slight advance over one fare for the round trip good returning at pleasure *within 6 months from* date of sale with the additional privilege of longer extension in return limit, if desired Choice of routes also allowed. Bee Line agents will take pleasure in giving full information upon application

Yes, They Have

Lots of that nice Massillon coal at Prendergasts.

CHURCH NOTES

Germany has [illegible] Baptist congregations

In eighteen months 1,500 converts have been added to the Salvation Army in Chicago

The Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions asks for money It is about $[illegible] in debt

At the Methodist Missionary conference receipts of $[illegible] for last year were reported

The mission board of the Methodist church appropriated $1 000 for Spanish New Mexico

There are [illegible] Young Mens Christian associations in the United States with 140,000 members

There are 18[illegible] colored Presbyterian churches in the south with 12,[illegible] members Of this number eighty five churches are in North Carolina and fifty nine in South Carolina

In New York city a new church is to be established It is for ministers and baptized people acknowledging the ecclesiastical authority of the College of Apostles which is a place of worship according to the doctrine of the Catholic Apostolic church and has heretofore had its headquarters at Albury England

The amount appropriated by the general missionary committee of the Methodist Episcopal church for carrying on mission work for the ensuing year is $571 437 for foreign missions and $517 750 for home missions making a total of $1,089,187, an increase of $89,187 over the amount appropriated last year

There are no less than thirty six different missionary societies represented in India, besides ten or more private missions. All branches of the church are represented and all are laboring hand in hand for the uplifting of India According to the [illegible] official summary for 1885 there were 137 [illegible] communicants representing the fruits of these missions

The Baptist church has three great organizations, the Foreign Missionary society, the Publication society, and the Home Mission society, which latter has for its motto, North America for Christ It was organized in New York state in 1832 Since its organization it has expended $5,131 314, established 3,416 churches, baptized 99 914 members, organized 700 Sunday schools and now has 700 laborers engaged in carrying on its work

Assistant Bishop Whitaker of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Philadelphia, began his duties last Sunday and made a most favorable impression He is a man of commanding presence ' says The Inquirer, "with a face and manner expressive of gentleness and benevolence, mingled with firmness. His voice is clear toned and strong, yet profoundly sympathetic, and his style of preaching well deserves the epithet applied to it by a prominent clergyman of the diocese who described it as apostolic '

FACTS WORTH KNOWING

To prevent the smoking of lamps, soak the wick in strong vinegar and dry thoroughly before it is used

Snakes are greatly increasing in number about the lakes and swamps of Florida, owing to the wholesale slaughter of herons, storks and other birds

The culture of tobacco in Germany which has declined since 1881, is now progressing, 1,986,597 acres having been planted this year, against 1 9[illegible]2 859 acres last year

To take spots of paint off wood, lay a thick coating of lime and soda mixed together over it, letting it stay twenty-four hours, then wash off with warm water, and the spot will have disappeared

Chloride of lime is an infallible preventive for rats, as they flee from its odor as from a pestilence It should be thrown down their holes and spread about wherever they are likely to come and should be renewed once a fortnight

An amateur gardener has found that petroleum poured into the crown of such plants as dandelions, thistles and plantains, will kill them, but in ridding a lawn of these deep rooted weeds care must be taken not to flood the grass with the oil

It may not be generally known that after clothes are starched in the usual manner, if they are passed through a bath of chloride of zinc, heated to about sixty degrees, the starch will be held through several successive washings and will suffer no change by being exposed to the dew or rain

Mr Gorel, the French hygienist, says that excepting the electric light, all other methods of light are unhealthful as they absorb oxygen and give out carbonic acid and steam at the same time Electric lighting should be adopted instead of gas unless by some new system the combustible matters emitted from gas can be got rid of

POINTS ABOUT CROWNED HEADS

King Christian [illegible] of Denmark is 70 years old

It is said that the Princess of Wales scarcely eats enough to feed a canary

King Kalakaua was 50 years old on the 16th but his crown is heavy He is deeply in debt

Claus Spreckels says King Kalakaua cannot be moved by reason but can be ruled through the gin bottle

The emperor of Austria has been smoking twenty cigars a day His doctors attribute his majesty's neuralgia to the habit and have ordered him to give up the fragrant weed

The crown prince of Germany like Von Moltke, is a very silent man He lives in a quiet domestic way and is said to be bitterly opposed to the sentiments of Prince Bismarck

A bronze statue of Frederick the Great has been placed in the Hall of Glory in the Arsenal of Berlin It is twice life size and represents him in his traditional attitude with his crooked stick

The nurse of the baby Alphonso XIII of Spain is a famous girl now When the royal youngster received his three decorations from the king of Portugal she exclaimed Now I trust his little majesty will keep his nose clean

Prince Alexander of Battenburg has devoted $70,000 of his Bulgarian gains to the purchase of the charming estate of Charlottenfield near Schaffhausen It is said to be one of the finest palaces of the kind in Europe

King Timbinoka, of Gilbert Islands weighs 300 pounds and has thirty wives He will not allow a white man to live on his islands When white missionaries visited him and tried to get him to discard twenty nine of his wives he got mad and drove them away

A tricycle cab has been licensed by the London authorities and is picking up what patronage it can with a view to general introduction Women like it because they can get in and out without soiling their dresses on the muddy wheel and there is very convenient [illegible] the driver It is still enough of a novelty to be generally stared at —Boston Transcript

WHAT THE CHILDREN SAY.

In school The teacher takes out his watch "As we have a few minutes before we close you can ask any question you wish" One little kid comes forward Teacher what time is it, please San Francisco Chronicle

It was a Boston schoolboy whose bad behavior had led the master to depart from his accustomed rule and resort to a flogging The next day the boy brought a note The master read it as follows Licking do the boy no good talk to him Peculiarities about the epistle led to inquiries it turned out to have been written by the boy —Boston Traveller

Some children take naturally to a practical view of things A little girl was saying her prayers the other evening closing up with God bless papa and mamma, little sister and everybody and keep us from harm this night Amen The little sister, a bright eyed puss of [illegible] years, quietly remarked, 'If you'd said everybody to begin with you needn't have made such a long prayer —Boston Budget

In a school in a college town the practice of chewing gum became one of the popular employments of the smallest scholars Each child followed the custom, until the chewing was a part of the regular routine The teacher finally called a stop to the proceedings and gradually the habit lessened Finally all the pupils obeyed the law except the son of one of the college professors This little boy chewed and chewed in great independence regardless of the teacher's commands At last she called him out before the school Tommy,' she said have I not told you not to chew gum?' 'Yes'm, he replied cheerfully, but I comes of a family what chews gum —Boston Journal

Two children belonging to a family in Hartford were forbidden to visit the children of a clergyman because it was supposed that there were enough children in that family to make up a goodly quota for the play ground One afternoon one of the clergyman's boys climbing up on the fence, shouted out Come over here and play with me I can't replied the younger of the invited two mother says there's enough children in your yard Oh, pshaw come along I don't believe mother will care very much, said the elder, and he began to scale the fence He was interrupted by his younger brother with this bit of scripture When sinners entice thee, consent thou not ' Don't you call me a sinner, came from the other side of the fence I'm a minister's boy —Hartford Post

AMONG THE RAILROADS

The Kansas, Nebraska and Dakota railroad has been completed to Topeka and trains will be running soon

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad company is making a brave fight to get into New York independent of any other road's rails

The statement of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad company for October, shows the gross earnings to be $1 687,[illegible]48, an increase of $112,[illegible] over the corresponding month in 1885

The Philadelphia and Reading railroad is retrenching—reducing salaries and cutting down the number of high priced officials it supports Its employes are also made to pay fare to and from work and are kicking up a big row about it too

The gross earnings of the Louisville and Nashville railroad for the months of July August September and October were $5 102 280 and its operating expenses for the same time were $2,942 515 This is an increase of $45 401 over the earnings of the same months in 18[illegible]

Years ago the officials of the Grand Trunk railway found that they could not secure enough business from the Canadians, and made Portland, Me, their eastern and later Chicago their western terminus The Canadian Pacific road has learned the same and has made Boston its eastern terminus

There are 1700 train dispatchers in the United States 1 000 of whom belong to the Train Dispatchers association The time card was king until Superintendent Minot, then of the Erie railroad, one day conceived the idea of running a train on special time till it should meet another train that was two hours late He met with opposition but carried his point and in a short time every railroad had its dispatcher

ART AND ARTISTS

New Orleans is to have an art magazine

Mr Elihu Vedder is coming to this country this month He will exhibit his own paintings in Boston this winter

Rosa Bonheur is said to be working on an important American commission at Nice where she is passing the autumn

A gentleman from Chicago, having bought paintings and bric a brac in Paris has been caught in an awkward predicament The receipted bills for the articles do not agree as to price with the invoices issued by the art dealers in Paris the latter valued the objects about $1 600 less than the face of the bills The articles have been seized at the house of the owner who affirms that he did not know of the undervaluations

The exhibition to be held next year in Manchester England to commemorate the jubilee of Victoria's reign will offer very large wall space to the works of artists belonging to the Victorian epoch Oils water colors, drawings engravings and statuary will be shown Each artist is allowed six pieces, which will be grouped together The dead artists of Great Britain and Ireland whose works will appear include Turner, Wilkie Stanfield Mulready Leslie Landseer Rossetti [illegible] Walker and De Wint

SAYINGS OF SAM JONES

It takes a [illegible] pew to make a cold pulpit

There is nothing better in heaven than religion

A church that can't do anything but keep itself straight is a failure

Nobody ever went to sleep indifferent to religion and waked up in heaven

A child [illegible] because it has no opinion and wants to [illegible] something

It takes a first class preacher and a first class hearer to get up a first class sermon

Dishonesty in the church is [illegible] sapping the [illegible] than anything else

I want to see my young [illegible] grow up [illegible] women than men [illegible]

[illegible]

The picture [illegible]

[illegible] Art Institute in Chicago, [illegible] with [illegible] drawing painting and modeling. Of [illegible] members [illegible] machinery [illegible] sign writing or wall painters [illegible] furniture and craftsmen of the most various [illegible]

EAST AFRICAN DRUGS.

VEGETABLE POISONS USED FOR ANOINTING SPEARS AND ARROWS

A Running Plant Whose Active Principle Is Similar to Strychnine—The 'Poison Tree'—Narcotic Indulgence Confined to Tobacco

Of curative drugs the east African manifests but little knowledge Near Lake Ugombo a small wild aloe when the green skin has been peeled off forms an ice cold and healing application to burns and in the neighborhood of Dar es Salaam a highly aromatic plant, with hairy purple stalks called arcaza mudi is reputed a good [illegible] cure for pains in the stomach The Somalis occasionally eat the local variety of dragon's blood a resin of acidulous flavor obtained from the mell tree (Dracaena [illegible]) Between Zanzibar and Dar es Salaam occurs a creeper with bean like hairy S shaped pods having severe stinging powers It is about four inches long of yellowish brown color and is called upupu The pain yields to cowdung and wood ashes In the same region a broad bladed grass called mr enga mwitu enjoys some fame as a styptic

ARROW POISONS

Arrow poisons come much more prominently within the range of native study, and most tribes use some description of vegetable poison for mounting their spears and arrows The most important is a species of Strophanthus either S. hispidus or S Kombe which will probably prove to be the sole source of this class of poison used on the eastern coast from Zanzibar to Somaliland and even far into the interior The plant is a runner bearing large rough ribbed leaves arranged in clusters of three or four together Each shoot consists of three branches of which one bears the seed and the other two the leaves The flower is yellow, with curiously tailed petals The seed has the form of a huge military frog button with lobes nine inches long and is the direct source of the poison This according to St Vincent Erskine is called umtsuli in Gazaland and Mozambique and is so [illegible] that men wounded by arrows in the fleshy part of the leg have been known to die within three hours and with small bucks the poison takes effect before they can run out of sight He likens the active principle to strychnine

These facts quite accord with the description given by R W Felkin and A W Gerrard of the poison used by the Wanika and Wakamba tribes west of Mombasa except that several others are supposed to contribute to the deadly effect These authors mention an antidote composed of sundry roots reduced to charcoal which however proved a failure on trial Careful investigation of the umtsuli reveals the fact that it is a powerful cardiac poison as powerful as digitalin and more powerful than veratria when injected under the skin But it causes only nausea vomiting and some weakness when taken by the mouth

THE POISON TREE

The flesh of animals killed by this poison is eaten by the blacks without ill effects Probably identical with this is the poison tree from the roots of which the natives of Somaliland extract a black and pitchy substance for poisoning their arrows Perhaps also the pitch like poison obtained from the boiled down bark of a tree used on the Rufiji river for application to arrows lances and even bullets and the muavi or poisonous decoction of the bark of a tree employed in the trial by ordeal of the natives of the Nyassa and Zambesi valley, is the same article under another guise

Indulgence in narcotics appears to be confined to tobacco, which is very commonly grown under cultivation It is a special product of the Handei district, whence considerable quantities of the sun dried leaf beaten into little round flat cakes about two inches in diameter are sent down to Pangani for export

The tobacco is coarse and strong but of fairly good flavor The Kiswahili use water pipes (kiko) made of gourds of various shapes They swallow the fumes in smoking and seem to enjoy the paroxysm of coughing which results —Journal Society of Arts

Where do Whale's Winter?

Just where all the arctic whales winter has long been a mooted question They are found all along the coast of California during some of the winter months But their breeding grounds there are the lower latitudes as at Magdalena bay and in the shallow bays of the lower Mexican coast It is probable that some go down as far as the Central American coast All the right whales seen along the coast do not enter the Arctic, although it would seem that the greater number do Many are found in the summer season in the Okhotsk sea and along the coast of Siberia The right whale seeks out his summer feeding grounds in high latitudes and seeks out breeding grounds in low latitudes This annual migration and return is counted on with the greatest certainty As many whales come out of the Arctic in autumn as enter in the spring These facts govern the operations of the whaling fleet Hence, after the Arctic whaling season is over many ships discharge and refit at once and go down the coast preparatory to a later cruise in high latitudes At several points along the coast in this state there are shore stations where a considerable number of whales are caught as they go up and down the coast —San Francisco Bulletin

He Probably Was

Was the early man a savage? asks a magazine writer That depends If the early man arose at 3 a m and rushed around like mad to reach the depot only to find that he was too early by about four hours it is safe to say that he was somewhat savage

Silk Raised in Utah

About 17 000 pounds of silk cocoons averaging $1 per pound have been raised in Utah during the last year The industry is still in its infancy but the outlook is very flattering —Chicago Herald

The Hair Moth

The hair moth which creates havoc and which eats of hair rapidly destroying it and creating baldness is being talked of in New York and Brooklyn and the cheap barber shops are being blamed for its propagation —Chicago Herald

London's Great Exhibitions

London has had four great exhibitions [illegible] many years the Fisheries Health Inventions and Colonies [illegible] these [illegible]

If the center aisle is known as the bridal path coachman ought to know the road New York Journal

ONE OF EDISON'S PROPHECIES.

The Making of an Economic Electrical Motor Merely a Matter of Detail.

Some experiments which are now making on both our elevated and surface roads with a view to displacing horses by electricity promise better than any of the many attempts made during the last ten years I remember Edison telling me one wintry day at Menlo Park in 1878 that he thought the inventors of the world had yet ten years' work to do before an electric motor would be ready to do the work on short lines of railroad He had not the slightest doubt of the ultimate success of such a motor, and proved his own faith in the future by investing a large sum of money in experiments with a motor of his own upon a mile track he built out at Menlo park His dogged persistency in this particular direction does not seem to have availed him much, although the same will which enabled him to work for three days and nights without sleep, go to bed exhausted for two days and then resume work has ended in fortune through the success of his light

He said at the time "As compared with some of our problems in electricity, the making of a practical and economic motor is merely a matter of detail There are more than a hundred ingenious inventors at work upon the problem and not a month passes but some little step in advance is made One man finds a better method of construction, another devises an efficient brake, another reduces the cost of the parts, one man simplifies here another man improves there, and looking at the motor in its imperfection of to day I should say that by 1890 at the latest we shall see it running noiselessly and swiftly in every large city, doing the work of thousands of horses without noise smoke or dust and at less expense '

This was nearly ten years ago and since then I have kept a pretty sharp eye upon all that has been done in this direction Edison himself, Stephen Field and Daft in this country have done much but judging by some motors sent over here very recently and now being used experimentally on our surface roads the foreigners have got ahead of us A car now running on the Eighth avenue road goes all day with the electric power stored in boxes underneath the floor It is stopped and started far more easily than is the case with horses, and the cost of charging and interest on the plant is said to be less than the cost for horses. The same inventor who brings this car over says that the running of light carriages by electricity is an easy matter compared with the running of horse cars and that a buggy can be fitted up with a motor at no great cost and can easily carry a charge of electricity for a fifty mile run When the fifty miles of electricity so to speak, are exhausted it will be necessary to run the buggy to some dynamo station for a new supply H [illegible] in Brooklyn Eagle

Look to Your Chimneys

Chimneys ought to be examined frequently to make sure that there are no cracks in them It is an excellent plan to have the chimneys so constructed that it is never concealed by the wall of a room, thus preventing a thorough examination of it A house often settles and this cracks the chimney but the crack is hidden By and by fire finds its way out, and a mysterious fire results All chimneys ought to be well plastered with good mortar outside and in when they are built, and the work of the mason should be inspected thoroughly to make sure he does a good job The chimney should be cleaned at least twice every year If this is done it will not be likely to burn out If it does get on fire throw a handful of salt into the stove This will check the fire almost immediately [illegible] this and it may be of benefit to you —American Agriculturist

Our Standing Army

Gen Sheridan's report shows that we have now less than 25 000 men in our army Of these 2 102 are officers so that we have an officer for every 11 men The highest number of soldiers ever in the army was in 1865 when we had about [illegible] more than 1,000,000 In 1790 there was less than 1,000 and in 1810 [illegible] before the second war with England less than 10 000 men guarded the whole United States Ten years later 12 000 were sufficient for all our needs and in 1848 at the close of the Mexican war we had less than 30 000 soldiers and only 100 or so more officers than we have now In 1861 the army jumped quickly from 12 000 to 186 000 men It increased right along up to 1865 when it reached the enormous figure above stated —Frank G Carpenter

Caleb Cushing's Way

Caleb Cushing had a sovereign remedy against the ills of the irresponsible and reckless interviewer Always courteous to the press, he received whosoever came But he produced pen ink and paper and caused the reporter to write out distinctly the first question proposed Then he dictated deliberately his answer Succeeding questions had to be put down in the same definite form, and he appended his answers as before When the reporter withdrew he was fully supplied and had no reason or inducement to pervert the record unless he was utterly depraved '—Detroit Free Press

London's Vaccination Bill.

From the official reports just published on the cost of public vaccination in London it appears that the whole expense is not less than $600 000 a year In 1885 the fees and attendant expenses reached $450 000 The cost of a calf lymph factory alone is over $15 000 per annum The inspectors and other officers fill out the $600 000 —Chicago Tribune

Reformation of Convicts

Ohio is about to undertake an experiment in the reformation of convicts which will be watched with interest An intermediate penitentiary is being constructed in which will be incarcerated first terms and light sentence ' convicts for whose reformation there is hope —Frank Leslie's

The Plethysmograph

An instrument has been invented called a plethysmograph which measures the expenditure of mental force in thinking A man in financial difficulties who has a note to meet will it is estimated wear out two plethysmographs a day —Boston Courier

Railway Churches in Russia

Railway churches are to be attached to the trains in south Russia Owing to the long distance traveled and the constant work the officials complain that they have no chance to attend divine service so carriages fitted up as churches will run on Sundays and feast days —Chicago Herald

In the description of a rhinoceros it is stated that [illegible] powerful beast with a mouth ranging from an open valise to a candidate's smile

THE FEET AND THE HEAD.

A DOCTOR GIVES SOME HINTS THAT MAY BE USEFUL TO HUMANITY

Cold Feet and Headaches Said to go Hand in Hand, so to Speak—The Reason Why—Remedy for the Trouble. Useful Hints

The days of cold feet and headaches have come Medicine unfortunately can do very little for these troubles, and persons afflicted in this way must make up their minds to suffer or else give over the habit of dressing the feet after the conventional mode If headaches and cold feet were all the ills that arise from the improper treatment of the feet and lack of attention to their needs the foibles of fashion might be followed at perhaps the expense of a few hours discomfort but unluckily these troubles are but the beginning of other disorders and many terrible nervous affections

'Cold feet and headaches go hand in hand as it were,' said a physician connected with one of the city hospitals to a reporter The person who has cold feet is almost sure to have violent nervous headaches Why Because the blood not circulating in the extremities is crowded into the upper portion of the body and exerts an undue pressure upon the blood vessels of the brain Nothing causes congestion of the internal organs more quickly than this crowding of the blood into the body that should circulate freely to and through the extremities

PERPETUATING THE DIFFICULTY

'The trouble increases in proportion to the continuance of the practice of ignoring the needs of the feet The blood vessels of the extremities become thickened and narrowed by the lack of flow of the vital fluid and thus the difficulties are perpetuated Persons suffering in this way—and who is not to a greater or less extent—should soak their feet every night in warm water and take plenty of out door exercise This counteracts the tendency to congestion enlarges the vessels and helps permanently to relieve the feet of their special tendency to coldness

The conventional shoe perhaps does more to keep the feet cold than any other thing A loose shoe I know is quite as uncomfortable as a tight one I know, also that a shoe should fit as closely as a stocking But where it should be tight is around the ankle, across the instep and around the arch of the foot and heel It should have however a loose upper and a large sole The bones of the foot need plenty of room for the movement A loose shoe is quite as productive of corns and other discomforts as the one that pinches but if it pulls the muscles of the feet awry pinches up the bones in one place and lets them spread out in another until they can have no natural action the circulation must be interfered with Women are more troubled with cold feet than men In fact they are more generally afflicted with diseases of the feet than men There are very few women that do not have corrugated nails and yet there is no more need of it than that they should have misshapen nails on their fingers

RESULTS OF BAD TREATMENT

Have you ever noticed at the seashore that occasionally you see a woman with every nail on her feet threaded by rough lines, and the color instead of being a bright healthy pink is yellow and unhealthy? Then you have seen the results of improperly dressing the feet Again, you see the same disease manifest itself in little holes that look as if the nail had been worm eaten and was full of little hollow pits A poor circulation of the blood resulting from indigestion malaria or squeezing the feet is the cause of all this

Almost all the troubles of the feet are unnecessary Caution and common sense will prevent them Of course there are some forms of joint disease gouty and rheumatic inflammations for instance which the possessor is not directly responsible for, but even these if taken in time can be cured Feet that perspire should be washed every night and rubbed with a weak solution of carbolic acid The stockings should be changed daily and the shoes should have insoles that can be changed as often as the stockings The soldiers of the Bavarian army are required to bathe their feet every day and anoint them with a pomade made of mutton tallow and salicylic acid This prevents undue perspiration and keeps the feet from becoming diseased Most feet can be kept healthy and soft by soaking them in hot water before retiring and using ammonia and soap freely Then they should be rubbed briskly with a rough bath towel, and have a small portion of glycerine spread over them Care must be taken, however, to use good soap Bad soap is the beginning of many evils Much of the most highly perfumed articles known to the trade is made from the refuse of rendering houses and is full of alkali Such soaps are positively injurious Plenty of good soap, warm water, a frequent change of dressing and shoes that fit the foot will prevent any trouble of a local character, cure corns and bunions and prevent headaches and cold feet, and sensible shoes and care of the feet will oftentimes do in a week what medicines and the doctor could never accomplish —New York Mail and Express

The World's Rain Fall

It is estimated that each year from 34,000 to 85,000 cubic miles of rain falls upon the surface of the globe What becomes of it? The rivers seldom carry off one half, except in regions of close grained rocks, the rest disappears by evaporation by the absorption of the earth, and by being taken up by plants animals and mineral oxidation In most parts of temperate latitudes the removal by rivers is from a third to two fifths of what falls in warm latitudes the amount is less, and may be under one tenth The Mississippi carries away one fourth of the rainfall of its drainage area the Missouri three twentieths the Ohio one fourth, the rivers of England and Wales nine sixteenths —Brooklyn Eagle

Athletes in New York

The craze for athletic exercise has taken on fresh vigor Half the society and business men of the town now go to the rooms of some professor of sparring or of physical culture and exercise at least one hour every other day The most popular and beneficial treatment is that which adds to the exercise itself the rubbing down of the pupil and the treating him by massage or manipulation Cor Philadelphia Times

The 400th Trip Across

Capt McMickan of the Umbria, went into the port of New York for the 400th time Seven hundred and ninety nine voyages across the Atlantic nine trips to India and ten to Mediterranean ports have carried the veteran captain over nearly 2 000 000 miles of water —New Orleans Times-Democrat

Mother Wanted to See Him.

Young husband (to wife)—Didn't I telegraph you not to bring your mother with you?

Young wife—I know That's what she wants to see you about She read the telegram —Texas Siftings

The Lime Kiln Club.

'Am Pardon Johnson in de hall this evenin,' asked the president as he turned his gaze toward the stove behind which Pardon is sure to be seated if the thermometer marks less than eighty degrees above

Yes sah

Den please step dis way until I spoke a few words wid you Pardon, I understand dat you am studyin' to be a doctah

Yes sah

Dat's good news, an' Ize persenally glad ob it Dey am sartin things about the doctah bizness which you should allus keep in view In de fust place, look dignified an' act wise Many a man who doan' know 'nuff to come in when it rains has kept de fact from de public by lookin as if he knew all dat had happened in dis world eber since de fust sun rose an sot

Yes, sah

If you am called in a case an' you find you doan know wheder de pusson has got [illegible] pox or de measles, doan gin yerself away too quickly Gin de case a few days to develop an' it will turn out to be one or the odder After it turns out you want to remark dat you war suah of it fum de fust"

I understands"

Neber gin up a case De doctah who admits dat he can't do a pashient any good loses prestige, de doctah who hangs by till de patient goes under ground kin say dat nobody could hev saved him

"I was intendin to say dat, sah"

'Keep your prescriptions an awful secret Pardon If you should tell a sick man dat you had given him a Dover's powder or some Peruvian bark he would neber get well Your only safety am in deceivin' your pashients If de medicine works all right dey will git well and praise your skill, if it works de odder way de undertaker an' sexton will hide he fack under ground"

Dat's what I'm calkerlatin' on.

An', lastly, Pardon, enter into partnership wid some druggist as soon as you make your start People who am foolish 'nuff to fall sick mus' expect to pay well fur deir medicines De hundred per cent profit which de druggist calkerlates on kin just as well be made a hundred an' forty, an' de extra goes to you. An some more lastly, doan' hev nuffin' to do wid patent medicines If a pashient of yours has a bruise doan' permit him to buy his salve or liniment off de shelf You kin git $2 for writin' him out a prescripshun fur de werry same thing '

I learned dat de werry first week, sah '

"Exactly Ize glad to see you hev tumbled to all de little rackets, an on behalf of dis club I bid you good speed"—Detroit Free Press

A Nice, Quiet Trip.

"The queerest wedding trip I ever heard of,' said the station master at the west side depot, "took place one day last week The couple were from a little corn and hog station down on the Burlington, and they came up on one of the morning trains. They went into the waiting room up stairs and remained there the whole day At noon they brought out a bit of lunch and ate it together Only once or twice did the groom venture beyond the station walls, and the cries of the hack men quickly frightened him back The bride had a great curiosity to go over closer to the river, so she could see the shipping, but the groom was afraid to leave the station for fear of getting lost Notwithstanding the seeming monotony of the day they were as happy as clams all day long sitting a hold of each other's hands When evening came they took the night train for home, where they were doubtless received as a hero and heroine after their adventures while taking in the wonders of Chicago"—Chicago Herald

Faultless but Soulless.

A correspondent asks Bill Nye what he thinks of his composition, specimens of which he sends him, and the humorist answers In the first place, your style of composition is like the present style of dress among men It is absolutely correct, and, therefore, it is absolutely like that of nine men out of every ten we meet Your style of writing has a mustache on it wears a three-button cut away of some Scotch mixture, carries a cane and wears a straight stand up collar and scarf It is so correct and so exactly in conformity with the prevailing style of composition and your thoughts are expressed so thoroughly like other people's methods of dressing up their sentences and sand papering the soul out of what they say that I honestly think you would succeed better by trying to subsist upon the quick sales and small profits which the drug trade insures

Pigs' Feet are 'Crubeens" in Ireland

Mrs Whitkins determined to get a green girl, just from the ship, and bring her up by hand so that she would do things exactly to suit her This is one of her experiences of the first day

She took Bridget to the window and pointing out the butcher's shop opposite said Now, Bridget go over there and see if the butcher has got pigs feet."

Bridget stayed a long time and then came back with this information 'Shure ma'am, I cuddent see the shape av his fate he kept behind the counter all the time —Exchange

Their Special Use

Yes Bobby said the minister who was dining with the family, everything in the world has its use, although we may not know what it is Now there is the fly for instance You wouldn't think that flies were good for anything yet—

Oh yes I would, interrupted Bobby I know what flies are good for"

'What Bobby?

Pa says that they are the only thing what keeps him awake when you are preaching

Texas Siftings

Preferred Coffee Beans to Cloves

I must always keep plenty of coffee in the house, said Clara on the eve of her marriage to her mother 'I know Charley is very fond of it, for when he takes me to the theatre and goes out between the acts I smell it on his breath "—New York Sun.

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